

CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

PHILADELPHIA.

Friday May 29, 1863.

The Committee appointed by the Executive Board of The Parish Association of the Church of the Holy Trinity, to prepare the Annual Report of the work of the Association, in its several departments, respectfully submit the following:—

1.—SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BIBLE CLASSES.

In giving an account of the work done in the Parish the Sunday-Schools and Bible Classes, which are properly called the “Nurseries of the Church,” must occupy a foremost position.

The Sunday-Schools and Bible Classes have been largely increased during the past year, as will be evident from the following statistics, viz.:

Main School for Boys and Girls,.....	39 Teachers,.....	308 Scholars.
Infant School “ “	1 “	187 “
Morning Bible Classes for Young Men and Women,.....	3 “	45 “
Afternoon Bible Classes for Men and Women,.....	3 “	183 “
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46 Teachers,		723 Scholars.

The Schools have but one session a day except on the first Sunday in each month, when an extra special service is held by the Rector for the youth of the congregation. This service is always looked forward to as an occasion of great interest, and it is hoped that the seeds of truth

sown here are taking deep root in the minds and hearts of the children.

The adult Bible Classes taught in the afternoon, claim our special interest and sympathy. They are frequently attended by one hundred and fifty men and women who manifest the deepest interest in the instruction given them, and many of whom have become communicants of the Church.

Of the candidates confirmed in the church during the past year, 30 have come from the Sunday-Schools and Bible Classes.

The contributions of the schools for missionary objects have not been large, as the children are only urged to give of their own money. They have amounted to about two hundred dollars.

The Ladies' Bible Class formed in the winter has regularly met every alternate Monday to the present week. It has been conducted partly by lectures and partly by question and answer. The Class proper has consisted of about eighteen members, and besides this, there has commonly been a good attendance of others interested in the studies of the Class, and sometimes such attendance has been numerous.

2.—DISTRICT VISITING AND COTTAGE LECTURES.

Thirty ladies of the Association have been engaged, according to a plan adopted by the Executive Committee, in visiting the poor within the district under our charge, viz., that between Market and Pine streets, and Eighteenth street and the Schuylkill river, and also from Pine to South street, and Twenty-first street to the Schuylkill river. They have effectively performed the work assigned them. Many children and adults have, by this means been brought under instruction, and by the blessing of God some of those who were thus brought within

reach of the Gospel, are now partakers of its saving grace.

Eight male members of the Association have, during the winter, delivered familiar lectures in the Lecture Room, which have been tolerably well attended; and recently on Monday evenings meetings have been held for education in the church service, and the use of the Prayer Book, which have been largely attended and full of interest.

3.—SEWING SCHOOL.

This school, established for the purpose of giving instruction in sewing to the poor children of our neighborhood, has held its sessions on Saturday mornings in the Sunday-School Room. It has been conducted by a few ladies of this congregation who have themselves met almost all its expenses,—a small appropriation of \$25 only having been made by the Association. During the winter the names of 308 scholars have been entered on its books. The average attendance for the last three months has been 175. Number of teachers, 30. Number of articles made by the children, 400,—all of which were distributed to those who made them. The whole work has been very quietly but very effectively carried on, and ranks high among the means of usefulness under the charge of the Association.

4.—MOTHERS' MEETING AND NIGHT SCHOOL.

A meeting of poor women under the charge of two ladies of the Association, has been held in the Bible Class Room on Tuesday evenings, its object being to enable the members to provide themselves and their families with clothing at as low a cost as possible, and also while gathered for sewing, to be benefitted by social intercourse and religious instruction. To this has been added during the past winter, the attempt to found a free evening

school for men and women, which has been quite successful, and seems to promise large usefulness. It has been held in the Parish Library Room at the same time with the sessions of the Mothers' Meeting. The attendance at both has been encouraging. The Mothers' Meeting has 80 names upon its list, and the Class Room 41. A small library has been provided for the members which has been largely used. The ladies having these works in charge deserve the thanks of the Association, and cannot but be encouraged by the evident blessing on their labors.

The whole expense has been only \$100, provided by the Association.

5.—PARISH LIBRARY.

Very early in the history of the church a library was founded for the free use of the congregation. It has slowly increased in size and gradually become an object of much interest. The librarian reports that it has been more largely used this winter than ever before. The number of books added since last September is 122, making the present number 786. The number out at any one time is about 130.

By the librarian's books it appears that the number out at various times was as follows, showing the gradual increase in the use of the library for the last two years:

March 16, 1861,	Books out	72.
May 9, 1862,	"	83.
November 15, 1862.	"	132.
May 23, 1863,	"	140.

The library is wholly dependent for its increase upon voluntary and unsolicited donations. The amount contributed for its support this year has been \$110. The attention of those who feel an interest in this important institution of the church's work, is called to the constant need of funds for its increase.

6.—DORCAS SOCIETY.

The officers of the Dorcas Society, for clothing the poor of the congregation and Sunday school, present the following report:

Balance from last year,	\$ 3 08	
Cash received this year,	694 50	
	<hr/>	\$697 58
Cash paid for materials,	\$501 62	
" " " sewing,	107 66	
" " " shoes,	84 12	
	<hr/>	693 40
	Balance,	\$ 4 18

Distributed 790 garments, 85 pairs shoes.

These figures will give the best idea of the large and good work done by the Society. Its meetings have been held on Wednesday mornings, in the Bible-class room.

7.—SOLDIERS' RELIEF ASSOCIATION.

The "Soldiers' Relief Association of the Church of the Holy Trinity," which was organized in November, 1861, resumed its labors in September, 1862.

During the present season, the number of garments completed is 1,841

Contributed by members of the congregation, 479

Making a total of 2,320

These have been distributed as follows:

Sent to Sanitary Commission, . . .	1,809
Hospital, Broad and Prime streets, . . .	147
Hospital, Sixteenth and Filbert streets, . . .	36
Hospital, Fifth and Buttonwood streets, . . .	24
Hospital, Twenty-second and Wood Sts., . . .	57
Corn Exchange Regiment,	51
Sharpsburg,	72
Reading Room,	24
Private distribution,	97
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	2,320

In addition to the clothing sent, our Society has also contributed to the United States Sanitary Commission 1,000 fans, 4 boxes of cologne, 1 box of condensed milk, 2 boxes of cocoa, 1 box of rice flour, 1 box of oat meal, 10 jars of jelly, lint, linen, 387 yards of bandages, and a large number of tracts.

The Treasurer reports, amount received, . . .	\$2,033 20
Bills paid,	1,938 83

Balance on hand,	\$94 37
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This balance, it is hoped, will be sufficient to meet the demands of the Society till the close of the season.

The ladies desire gratefully to acknowledge the cordial manner in which each appeal from their Rector, in behalf of the Society, has been responded to, thus enabling them to prosecute their work successfully to the present time. They regard this as a proof of confidence in themselves, as well as of interest in and sympathy for our suffering soldiers.

8.—MISSIONARY AID SOCIETY.

At the beginning of Lent, a society was formed among the ladies of the Church, for the purpose of providing for the need of some of the Missionaries and their families in our own or other dioceses. This work was energetically and effectively performed. The meetings of the Society were held every Tuesday morning, and about forty ladies shared in the labor. They were able to assist the families of five of our clergy, four in Pennsylvania and one in the West. The amount contributed and expended for this purpose was \$236.25. It is intended that this work shall be resumed every year during the Lent season.

9.—MISSION CHAPEL.

The crowded state of our Church and Schools has

compelled us to provide more accommodations for worshippers, as well as to give greater scope to the working power of the laity of our Church. This has been accomplished by the purchase of the property situated at Twenty-second and Locust streets, recently known as Cranmer Chapel, but which will hereafter be our Mission, and be designated as Trinity Chapel.

Accommodations will here be afforded for a congregation of four hundred persons, besides giving ample room to a still larger number of scholars in the Sunday School and Bible-Class rooms.

An efficient corps of teachers has already been secured for this mission, and Divine services under the auspices of our Parish will be held for the first time on Trinity Sunday, 31st inst.

The funds necessary for the purchase, repair and alteration of the building have been cheerfully contributed by the liberality of our congregation. The whole expense has been about \$10,000.

This is the work of the Association as it has been carried on during the past season. The Committee rejoice in the zeal and readiness with which the congregation have met all demands for means or labor which have been made upon them. They invite all members of the Church not already connected with the Association to join its ranks, and believing that God's blessing has rested upon what has been already undertaken, they humbly dedicate its results to Him, and look forward hopefully to larger endeavors and accomplishments in time to come.

LEMUEL COFFIN,
WILLIAM P. CRESSON,
JAMES S. BIDDLE,
CHARLES SHORT,
Committee.

In connection with the Annual Report of the Association, I think it right to lay before the congregation a statement of all the contributions of the Church during the past year. I do so with thankfulness that the Church has so largely felt its responsibilities, and yet with an earnest prayer that what it has already done may be only an earnest of the zeal with which it will in the coming years fulfil the great work which God has put into its power.

Contributions reported by the Association,	\$13,298 95
Communion Alms for the Poor,	1,004 16
Foreign Missions,	1,253 70
Domestic Missions,	708 00
Diocesan Missions,	633 61
Philadelphia Divinity School and Students' Aid Society,	404 00
English Sufferers by the Famine,	392 66
Griswold College, Iowa,	1,100 00
Disabled Clergymen,	226 63
Episcopal and Convention Funds,	230 00
Distribution of Bibles and Prayer Books,	156 61
Sunday Schools of the Parish,	622 06
Episcopal Hospital,	439 62
Sinking Fund of the Church,	451 53
Promotion of Christianity among the Jews,	185 66
City Missions,	126 25
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	\$21,233 44

PHILLIPS BROOKS,

Rector.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF

THE PARISH ASSOCIATION

OF THE

CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

PHILADELPHIA, 1

Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Association,

SATURDAY EVENING, MAY 21st, 1864.



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CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

PHILADELPHIA.

Saturday, May 21, 1864.

The Committee appointed by the Executive Board of The Parish Association of the Church of the Holy Trinity, to prepare the Annual Report of its work, respectfully present the following:

It will be seen that the Report includes, besides the items given last year, the details of the various departments of work at Trinity Chapel, which, under the charge of our Assistant Minister, the Rev. Herman L. Duhring, has fulfilled with much success the first year of its labors.

1.—SUNDAY-SCHOOLS AND BIBLE CLASSES.

The Sunday-Schools and Bible Classes of the Church have been very prosperous during the year, and the rolls show a large addition of scholars. The Schools and Bible Classes of Trinity Chapel which opened with less than one hundred scholars have grown rapidly and are now strong in numbers and interest.

The following statistics exhibit the present numerical condition of the various Schools and Bible Classes in detail:

CHURCH.

Main School,.....	40 Teachers,.....	310 Scholars.
Infant School,.....	2 "	231 "
Morning Bible Classes,....	2 "	60 "
Afternoon Bible Classes,...	4 "	210 "
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48 Teachers,		811 Scholars.

CHAPEL.

Main School,.....	33 Teachers,.....	211 Scholars.
Infant School,.....	3 "	207 "
Bible Classes,.....	3 "	40 "
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39 Teachers,		458 Scholars.

Whole number connected with the Schools and Bible Classes of the Church and Chapel 1356. Of this number a few teachers and about 75 scholars attend both Schools.

The Missionary contributions of the Schools have not been large, but have been entirely voluntary. They have amounted to \$552 82.

Of the candidates confirmed last Sunday, 52 came from the Sunday-Schools and Bible Classes.

2.—DISTRICT VISITING.

The Committee having under their charge the Poor of the Parish have more completely organized their work. Preserving the same division of the district under our care, they have secured a more systematic attention to the work of visiting by the Committee appointed for that purpose. It is not possible to furnish detailed statistics of their work, but the large increase of both our Schools, and the gathering of a congregation at the Chapel are to be attributed in no small degree to their labors. Each Committee has been provided with a small amount of money for necessary uses, but the direct expenses of this branch of our work have been very slight indeed. The Committee rejoice in believing that this department of labor has not been without great and good results.

3.—SEWING SCHOOLS.

There have been two Sewing Schools—one at the Church, and one at the Chapel. The Church School reports: number

of scholars on the roll 270, average attendance 167 scholars and 23 teachers. Pieces of work finished over 400. The expenses have been \$91 56, provided by the teachers. The Chapel School was opened in November, with 27 scholars and 7 teachers. Its roll contains now the names of 95 scholars. It has been a valuable auxiliary to the Sunday-School, and promises still greater usefulness in future.

4.—MOTHER'S MEETING AND NIGHT SCHOOL.

The Mother's Meeting, of which an account was given last year, has continued its session. The number of members has been 65. The average attendance about 30. The expenses have been only \$160, most of which was furnished from the Treasury of the association. The meeting has been employed in part on work received from the Soldiers' Relief Association. The whole number of garments made has been about 300. The meeting in its double provision for the temporal and spiritual needs of the poor women who attend it deserves our sympathy and support.

The Night School has also met regularly twice a week. It opened November 3, 1864, and closed March 22d, 1864. The average attendance of scholars has been about 30.

5.—PARISH LIBRARY.

The Parish Library has grown both in numbers and usefulness. The largest number of books out at any time was 158. 93 volumes have been added to the library. The amount of money received for its support has been \$250 66. We again commend this growing institution to the care and interest of the congregation.

6.—DORCAS SOCIETY.

The work of the Dorcas Society has been largely increased

by the care of the poor connected with the Chapel. The following is its report :

Balance from last year,	\$ 4 96	
Cash received this year,	976 70	
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Cash paid for materials,	\$699 87	
“ “ “ sewing,	145 40	
“ “ “ shoes,	136 39	
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Distributed from the Church 781 garments, 98 pairs shoes.

“ “ Chapel 105 “ 12 “

Remaining: at the Church 207 garments; at the Chapel 43 garments.

7.—SOLDIERS' RELIEF ASSOCIATION.

This Association resumed its labors on the 1st of October, 1863, and is still at work. It too has accomplished more than last year. It reports :

Number of garments completed,	2,333
Contributed by members of the congregation,	225

Making a total of . . . 2,558

These have been sent as follows :

To the Sanitary Commission,	2,524
To the Soldiers' Reading Room,	22
By private distribution,	12
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	2,558

Number of garments yet to be made and sent to the Sanitary Commission, . . . 312

In addition to clothing our Association sent to the Sanitary Commission in June, 1863, 32 pocket handkerchiefs, 2 pairs stockings, linen, lint, 1 box of cocoa, 2 boxes of cologne, 10 jars of jelly, 1000 fans, and a number of books, and during the past season, 110 slings, 12 work bags, lint, 2 jars of

jelly, 4 jars of limes, 2 bottles of lavender vinegar, and 10 jars of pickle.

The Treasurer reports, amount received,	\$2,654 22
“ “ “ expended,	2,654 22

The ladies are encouraged by this review of the past year to pronounce their labors a success, and have great pleasure in acknowledging how much they owe it to the sympathy of their Rector and the generous co-operation of the congregation.

8.—MISSIONARY AID SOCIETY.

This Society was again engaged in its good work during Lent.

The total amount received was	\$407 00
“ “ “ expended	399 43

Leaving a balance of . . . 7 57

Two boxes of clothing were sent to Missionaries in our own diocese, and two to the diocese of Iowa.

The Committee present this report with much gratification. It shows a continuance of our work in all departments and a large increase in most. They ask the aid of every member of the congregation to carry on the work till it is all it ought to be. They humbly dedicate the past to God, and earnestly entreat his blessing on the future.

LEMUEL COFFIN,
WILLIAM P. CRESSON,
LEWIS H. REDNER,
EDWARD S. WHELEN,
Committee.

In connection with this Annual Report I lay before the congregation a statement of all our contributions, and of some of the services of the year. We have much to be thankful for and very much still to attain. What we have done proves what we might do. Let it be seen in years to come that this year's labor was only the beginning of the great work which it was to be the privilege of this people to perform.

Infant Baptisms, at the Church 43, at the Chapel 14, total 57.

Adult " " " 17, " " 2, " 19.

Confirmations, " " 56, " " 27, " 83.

CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE CHURCH.

Reported by the Association,	\$5,252 91
Communion Alms for the Poor.	1,548 93
Foreign Missions,	2,120 94
Cape Palmas Orphan Asylum,	187 00
Domestic Missions,	648 93
Diocesan Missions,	561 40
Toward endowment of "Holy Trinity Professorship" in the Divinity School at Philadelphia,*	25,000 00
Divinity Students' Aid Society,	156 35
Freedmen's Relief Association,	280 00
Support of Trinity Chapel,	1,847 53
Disabled Clergymen,	250 00
Episcopal and Convention Funds,	257 97
Distribution of Bibles and Prayer Books,	165 00
Support of Sunday-Schools of the Parish,	506 20
Episcopal Hospital,	1,100 89
Sinking Fund of the Church,	171 81
Promotion of Christianity among the Jews,	100 00
Hospitals at Gettysburg,	300 00
Miscellaneous,	83 00
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	\$40,538 86

PHILLIPS BROOKS,

Rector.

* \$5,000 more required to complete the endowment.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF

THE PARISH ASSOCIATION

OF THE

Church of the Holy Trinity,

PHILADELPHIA,

PRESENTED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION,

Wednesday Evening, May 17th, 1865.



PHILADELPHIA:

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1865.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

PHILADELPHIA.

WEDNESDAY, *May 17, 1865.*

The Committee, to whom was entrusted the preparation of the Annual Report of The Parish Association of the Church of the Holy Trinity, present the following sketch of the missionary and benevolent operations of the Parish for the past year:

It includes the work both at the Church and at Trinity Chapel.

I.—SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BIBLE CLASSES.

The Schools and Classes of the Church have increased in number, and only need more room to become larger still. At the Chapel the attendance has very largely increased.

The following statistics show the numbers of the Schools:

CHURCH.

Main School,.....	39 Teachers,.....	332 Scholars.
Infant School,.....	2 "	258 "
Morning Bible Classes,..	2 "	62 "
Afternoon Bible Classes,. 3	"	203 "
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46 Teachers,		855 Scholars.

CHAPEL.

Main School,.....	34 Teachers,.....	228 Scholars.
Infant School,.....	2 "	165 "
Bible Classes,.....	3 "	74 "
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39 Teachers,		467 Scholars.

The whole number connected with the Schools and Bible Classes of the Church and Chapel is 1407. Of these, 183 attend both Schools.

The Missionary contributions of the Schools have amounted to \$356.05.

Of the Confirmation Classes of last Sunday 48 are members of the Sunday Schools and Bible Classes.

II.—DISTRICT VISITING.

The Committee on District Visiting report that they have now thoroughly organized a system, with printed rules and directions, and maps with each district and section marked out, numbered and painted in different colors, showing at a glance the divisions of the Parish.

Some of the Committees have taken the work vigorously in hand, and labored the whole season faithfully. But the prevalence of small-pox, and diseases of a contagious character peculiar to the state of war, has interfered in parts of the Parish.

Great care has been taken in the rules to prevent the increase of and invitation to beggary. This the economy of the Reports of the Committees fully shows.

III.—SEWING SCHOOLS.

The Church School has largely increased. It reports: number of scholars, 340; average attendance, 208; number of teachers, 37. 500 pieces of work have been finished, most of which were distributed among the children. The expenses have been \$161.98, provided by the teachers.

The Chapel School opened rather late. The number of scholars on its roll was 93, and the average attendance, 50. 156 pieces of work were finished. The expenses amounted to \$44.94. Both schools are doing a good work which deserves our best interest and sympathy.

IV.—MOTHERS' MEETING AND NIGHT SCHOOL.

The Mothers' Meetings have been much more largely attended this year than ever before. Out of 75 members

59 have been very constant attendants, the average attendance being about 45. The Meeting has made for the Soldiers' Relief Association 220 garments; for the personal use of members, 150; in all, 370.

The increase of price of materials, the necessity for giving greater advantages to members in their purchases, and the late fall in the price of goods, rendering necessary a reduction on goods purchased at higher prices, as well as the increase of attendance, have added much to the expense of the Meeting. It has never labored more faithfully for both the temporal and spiritual needs of its members.

The Night School for women was open for five months every Thursday evening. The number on the roll was 45. Average attendance about 20.

V.—PARISH LIBRARY.

The interest in the Library seems to be undiminished. There have been added, since the last Report 127 volumes, 7 of which were presented. The Church has added very materially to the accommodations for the Library, giving quite sufficient room to classify the books properly when the requisite number is attained. There are now 941 volumes in the Library. Contributions for the year, \$75.

VI.—DORCAS SOCIETY.

Cash received, 1864-65,	\$1,411 45
Cash paid for Materials,	\$1,108 98
“ “ Sewing,	120 27
“ “ Shoes,	143 60
Incidental Expenses,	8 00
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	1,380 85
Balance,	<hr/>
	\$30 60

Distributed from the Church,	626 garments, 99 pairs shoes.		
" " Chapel,	157 " 22 "		
Remaining at the Church,	258 " "		
" " Chapel,	56 " "		
Total,	1097 " 121 "		

Donation to the Church of the Crucifixion, in materials, \$75 68

As the collection this year was much larger than usual, a word of explanation may be necessary to show that a proper degree of economy has been practiced. The Society was organized in the winter of 1859-60, and the collection that year was \$463 25. The prices of materials which were then eight, nine and ten cents per yard, have been this winter fifty, sixty and seventy cents. This, together with the increased demand both from the Church and Chapel, will certainly account for the large increase in the expenses of the Society.

VII.—SOLDIERS' RELIEF ASSOCIATION.

The Association resumed its labors on the 20th of October, 1864.

During the past season, the number of articles completed amounts to	2,362
Contributed by members of the Association,	52
Making a total of	2,414

These have been distributed thus:

To the Sanitary Commission,	2,404
" Soldiers' Reading Room,	3
By Private Distribution,	7
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In addition to clothing, the Association has sent to the Sanitary Commission 803 handkerchiefs, 89 slings, 23 pairs of woolen stockings, 15 pairs of slippers, 2,058 yards of bandages, 4 hair pillows, linen, lint, also 37 needle-cases from the children of the Sewing School.

The Treasurer reports:

Amount received,	\$2,941 20
" expended,	2,741 20
Balance on hand,	<hr/> \$200 00

It may be agreeable to our contributors to learn the amount of work accomplished by the Association since its organization, November 20, 1861. During the winter of 1861-62, boxes of clothing and supplies were sent to Missouri, Cairo, Ill., Lexington, Ky., and to a hospital at Cumberland, Md. Large donations were also sent to the different hospitals in this city. Since then, our work has principally gone to the Women's Pennsylvania Branch of the U. S. Sanitary Commission.

In the past three years the garments completed amounted to	9,538
Money received and expended,	8,396 62

The Ladies of the Soldiers' Relief are deeply grateful for the generous contributions they have received. They have been enabled to prosecute their work with zeal and vigor. If, in the merciful providence of God, the first need of the organization of this Society is very near its end, it is hoped that the energy which has been developed by it may not be lost, but turned to employment next winter in some kindred cause.

VIII.—MISSIONARY AID SOCIETY.

This Society meets only during Lent. Its work was full of interest and very successful.

Two boxes of clothing were sent to missionaries in our own Diocese, and three to the Diocese of Iowa.

The amount of money received was	\$601 57
“ “ “ expended “	601 25
Leaving a balance of	32

The Committee lay these details before the Congregation and ask a careful attention to them. They show what we are doing, and how open the channels are for doing a great deal more. Let us thank God for His great goodness to our Church thus far, and prove our thankfulness by a more earnest dedication to His work.

LEMUEL COFFIN,
WM. P. CRESSON,
EDW'D S. WHELEN,
LEWIS H. REDNER,
Committee.

In connection with this Report I lay before the congregation the usual statement of the services and contributions of the church during the past year. It has been a year of great prosperity, harmony and happiness among us. A church so largely blessed ought to be doing far more than we are doing for the Master's cause.

Infant Baptisms, at the Church....	22,	at the Chapel....	31,	Total....	53
Adult “ “ “	26,	“ “ “	8,	“	29
Confirmations “ “	66,	“ “	25,	“	91
Marriages “ “	13,	“ “	4,	“	17
Burials “ “	20,	“ “	24,	“	44

CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE PARISH.

Reported by the Association.....	\$5,642 19
Communion Alms for the Poor.....	1,889 66
Foreign Missions.....	3,445 78
Cape Palmas Orphan Asylum.....	175 00
Domestic Missions.....	826 00
Diocesan Missions.....	744 06
Completion of the Endowment of the “Holy Trinity Professorship” in the Divinity School at Philadelphia.....	5,950 00
Support of Trinity Chapel.....	1,534 92
Episcopal Hospital.....	924 30
Pennsylvania Freedmen's Relief Association.....	1,264 50
Divinity Students' Aid Society.....	329 08
Endowment of the Episcopate of Kansas.....	882 00
Episcopal and Convention Funds.....	230 00
Distribution of Bibles and Prayer Books.....	276 47
Disabled Clergymen.....	564 53
Support of the Sunday Schools of the Parish.....	457 32
Sinking Fund of the Church.....	259 44
Promotion of Christianity among the Jews.....	100 00
Collections at the Chapel.....	736 76
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	\$26,232 01

PHILLIPS BROOKS,
Rector.

ANNUAL REPORT

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Church of the Holy Trinity,

PHILADELPHIA.

PRESENTED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION,

Wednesday Evening, May 16th, 1866.



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W. P. KILDARE, PRINTER, No. 422 WALNUT STREET.

1866.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

PHILADELPHIA.

WEDNESDAY, *May* 16, 1866.

The Committee appointed by the Executive Board of the Parish Association, of the Church of the Holy Trinity, submit the following report of the operations of the Association, for the past year, in its various departments. It includes the work at the Church and at the Chapel.

I.—SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BIBLE CLASSES.

The Sunday Schools and Bible Classes of the Church have been largely attended during the year, and the rolls show an increase of both teachers and scholars, as will be seen by the following statistics:

CHURCH.

Main School,.....	42	Teachers,.....	343	Scholars.
Infant School,.....	2	“	250	“
Morning Bible Classes,....	2	“	55	“
Afternoon Bible Classes,..	4	“	215	“
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50 Teachers,			863 Scholars.	

CHAPEL.

Main School,.....	34	Teachers,.....	274	Scholars.
Infant School,.....	2	“	206	“
Bible Classes.....	3	“	75	“
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39 Teachers,			555 Scholars.	

The whole number connected with the Schools and Bible Classes of the Church and Chapel is 1507. Of these, nearly 200 attend both Schools.

The Missionary Contributions of the Schools amount to \$449.07. The expenses of conducting the Schools and Bible Classes have been \$829.30.

II.—TRINITY CHAPEL.

The Chapel still continues under the charge of the Rev Herman L. Duhring, the Assistant Minister of the Church. The Congregation has nearly doubled during the year, and the contributions have largely increased. A new Organ of good capacity and tone has been provided by the Congregation and their friends, and adds much to the interest of the Services. A Library containing 500 Volumes and a Reading Room with several magazines and weekly newspapers, has been established which is open four evenings in the week, and well attended.

III.—DISTRICT VISITING.

Twenty-seven ladies of the association have been engaged in visiting the poor, within the District under our charge, and have effectively performed the work assigned them. Our association is intended to gather into the Church and Schools those who are not regular attendants, and not to extend pecuniary aid, which is given through other channels. Many children and adults have thus been brought under instruction. Regular monthly meetings of the visitors have been held, which have proved serviceable in keeping up the interest in the work.

Over 800 visits have been made.

IV.—SEWING SCHOOLS.

The Church School has increased in numbers, but there has been a deficiency of teachers. It is hoped that more of our ladies will offer their services in this important department of our Church work. The whole number of scholars is 350; aver-

age attendance, 245; teachers, 35. Four hundred pieces of work have been finished, the most of which were distributed among the scholars. The expenses have been \$160.95, contributed by the teachers.

The Chapel School numbers 110 scholars, average attendance 90. The number of teachers very limited. Three hundred and eighty pieces of work were made and distributed.

V.—MOTHERS' MEETING AND NIGHT SCHOOLS.

The Mothers' Meetings were continued during four months. The average attendance 40, and whole number of members 80. One hundred and eighty-five articles were made and distributed among the members. Greater interest has been shown this year in the lessons. The expenses have amounted to about \$135.

The Men's Bible Class on Friday evenings, began in December and continued until the end of April. It commenced with 6 members, and closed with an attendance of upwards of 40. Much interest has been created by the use of a small Library. If more books were contributed for this purpose, the attendance would be still further increased. It is not necessary that the books should be of a strictly religious character.

The Night School for girls was opened early in November, and closed about the end of March. Whole number of scholars 75; average attendance not over 25. Instruction has been given in Spelling, Reading and Writing; teachers engaged in this work, 5.

All these services are opened with religious exercises.

VI.—PARISH LIBRARY.

The Librarian reports that 21 volumes have been added by purchase and donation during the year, and 3 volumes to the Rector's Library by donation.

The Library has not been used to the same extent as last

year, probably on account of the limited additions. It now contains 962 volumes. It is hoped that the contributions to this object will increase. The amount received last year was only \$17.00.

VII.—DORCAS SOCIETY.

The officers of the Dorcas Society for clothing the poor of the Congregation and Sunday School, report

Balance on hand from last year, . . .	\$30.60	
Cash received, subscriptions &c., . . .	832.73	
“ “ from sales, . . .	161.57	
		1,024.90

Cash paid for Materials, . . .	\$735.46	
“ “ Sewing, . . .	181.50	
“ “ Shoes, . . .	101.95	
		1,018.91

Balance,	5.99
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Number of garments sold, being a new feature introduced into the operations of the Society, 298.

Distributed from the Church, 369 garments, 69 pairs shoes.	
“ “ Chapel, 169 “ 35 “ “	
Remaining at the Church, 270 “	
“ “ Chapel 16 “	

Total,	1122	“	104	“	“
Donation to the Church of the Crucifixion, 65 garments.					
“ “ Episcopal Hospital, 42 “					

VIII.—FREEDMANS' AID ASSOCIATION.

The Soldiers Aid which had met for the past four years to labor for the wounded soldiers of our army, has this winter been organized into a Society to provide clothing for the needy Freedmen of the South. The Freedmens' Aid has been in existence four months. The first meeting was held Nov. 9, 1865,

the last March 8, 1866. During the winter 1241 garments were made; 49 articles donated. These were all sent to the “Womans' Pennsylvania Branch of the Freedmens' Relief Association.”

The Treasurer reports:

Amount received from Nov. 9, 1865, to	
March 8, 1866,	\$1124.50
Amount expended,	1119.72
Balance,	4.78

IX.—MISSIONARY AID SOCIETY.

A lady of our Congregation and a member of this Church, Miss Sarah L. Davis, having offered her services to the Foreign Missionary Board, and being appointed a teacher at the Cape Palmas Orphan Asylum, we felt that we could do no less than to provide the necessary outfit. Our appeal met with a ready response.

The amount received was,	\$431.11
“ bills paid,	361.11
Balance,	70.00

which was handed to Miss Davis, for incidental expenses. During Lent the usual work of providing for our Missionaries was taken up. A box was sent to Delaware, two boxes to Ministers at present unable to attend to duty, and a few things to a student of Divinity, a box to Iowa.

Total received,	\$519.52
“ expended,	484.52
Balance,	35.00

which was handed to Dr. Butler, for a Minister in much need. Total received for the season, \$950.63, all of which has been expended.

It was natural to suppose that the absence of our Rector, the Rev. Philips Brooks, during the past year, might have somewhat lessened the active interest of the Congregation in our various branches of usefulness, but the efficient care of those who have organized them, and the entire sympathy of Rev. Dr. Butler, who has officiated in his place, with every object of Christian Benevolence, has sustained our various operations, so that nearly all demands upon them have been fully met.

We express the hope that all members of the Congregation will fully identify their personal efforts and pecuniary contributions with the Parish Association, affording as it does such varied fields of usefulness.

LEMUEL COFFIN,
WM. P. CRESSON,
EDW'D S. WHELEN,
LEWIS H. REDNER,
Committee.

In connection with this Report we lay before the Congregation the usual statement of the services and contributions of the Church, during the past year.

Baptisms, at the Church.....	36,	at the Chapel.....	46,	Total.....	82
Confirmations,	33,	26,	59
Marriages,	6,	10,	16
Burials,	22,	35,	57

CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE PARISH.

Reported by the various departments of the Association.....	\$3,941 45
Communion Alms for the Poor.....	1,955 71
Lincoln Monument Association.....	475 55
Foreign Missions.....	2,365 47
Cape Palmas Orphan Asylum.....	225 00
Domestic Missions.....	977 82
Diocesan Missions.....	413 74
Support of Trinity Chapel.....	1,186 32
Episcopal Hospital.....	718 80
Divinity School and Students' Aid.....	326 97
Episcopal and Convention Funds.....	300 00
Distribution of Bibles and Prayer Books.....	175 48
Disabled Clergymen.....	243 48
Support of the Sunday Schools of the Parish.....	344 48
Sinking Fund of the Church.....	110 95
New Organ at the Chapel.....	900 00
Collections at the Chapel.....	959 98
Collection for the family of the late Sexton.....	1,220 46
Miscellaneous.....	850 00
Freedmens' Commission of the P. E. Church.....	150 00
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	\$17,841 56

JOHN BOHLEN.
LEMUEL COFFIN,
Church Wardens.

Contributions for religious and charitable objects during the past four years, \$105,845 87.

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CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

PHILADELPHIA.

WEDNESDAY, *May* 15, 1867.

The Committee of the Parish Association of the Church of the Holy Trinity offers the following report of the work of the Association during the past year, both at the Church and at the Chapel.

I.—SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BIBLE CLASSES.

The Sunday Schools and Bible Classes of the Church and Chapel have been very prosperous. The Teachers have been efficient, and the discipline of the Schools has been well maintained. The increasing number of Scholars calls for larger accommodations at the Church.

CHURCH.

Main School.....	42 Teachers.....	371 Scholars.
Infant School.....	2 “	270 “
Bible Classes.....	6 “	270 “
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50 Teachers.		911 Scholars.

CHAPEL.

Main School.....	36 Teachers.....	285 Scholars.
Infant School.....	2 “	254 “
Bible Classes.....	3 “	80 “
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41 Teachers.		619 Scholars.

The whole number connected with the Schools and Bible Classes of the Church and Chapel is 1621. Of these, about 200 attend both the Church and Chapel.

The Missionary Contributions of the Schools amount to \$367.38.

Of our Confirmation Classes this Spring a large number were members of the Sunday Schools and Bible Classes.

II.—DISTRICT VISITING.

This important part of the Church work has been prosecuted with much vigor and earnestness. More than 1100 visits have been paid, and a good many members have been added to the Bible Classes and Sunday Schools. Besides this, a Bible Class has been established in one of the Districts, the good results of which are already manifest. Scarcely any money has been given directly by the visitors. We believe that the whole labor of this department has been conducted with a diligence and good judgment which does great credit to all who have been engaged in it.

III.—SEWING SCHOOLS.

The Church School has increased both in Scholars and Teachers. It reports:—Number of Scholars, 375; average attendance, 254; number of Teachers, 38. About 400 pieces of work have been finished, which were distributed among the children. The expenses have been \$170.03, contributed by the Teachers.

The Chapel School has also increased. It reports:—Number of Scholars, 236; average attendance, 140; number of Teachers, 19. 402 pieces of work were finished. The expenses were \$84.

IV.—MOTHERS' MEETING AND NIGHT SCHOOLS.

The Mothers' Meeting was held during four months, commencing January 4th, and ending April 30th. The whole number of members was 65; average attendance, 32. 219 garments were made by, and distributed among the members.

Money received from the Church.....	\$125 00
“ “ “ Meetings.....	184 95
Total.....	\$309 95
Amount expended for Material.....	269 45
Remaining in the Treasury	\$40 50

The Night School for Girls was open every Thursday evening, for six months. Number on the roll, 85; average attendance, 38; number of Teachers engaged, 5.

V. PARISH LIBRARY.

Ninety-four volumes have been added to the Parish Library since the last report, and 65 to the Rector's Library. All of these were purchased except 54 volumes, of great value, which were given by a liberal member of the Church to the Rector's Library. The Library has been used more than ever before. The voluntary contributions for its support amounted to \$359.70.

It is proposed to classify the Library by subjects, and issue a new Catalogue during the Summer. It contains now a little over 1000 volumes.

The Library of the Chapel, which has also received considerable additions, has now 625 volumes.

VI.—DORCAS SOCIETY.

The officers of the Dorcas Society, for clothing the poor of the Congregation, report:—

Balance on hand from last year.....	\$5 99	
Cash received—Subscriptions, etc.....	957 66	
“ “ from Sales.....	282 83	
“ “ for Sewing.....	123 00	
		\$1369 48
Cash paid for Materials.....	\$985 69	
“ “ Shoes.....	146 19	
“ “ Sewing	229 45	
		1361 33
Balance.....	\$8 15	

Number of Garments sold.....	447	
Distributed from the Church.....	512 Garments—101 pairs of shoes.	
“ “ Chapel	228 “ 38 “	
Remaining at the Church.....	368 “	
“ “ Chapel	47 “	
Total.....	1602 “ 139 “	

Donation to the Church of the Crucifixion, 90 Garments.

VII.—FREEDMENS' AID SOCIETY.

The Freedmens' Society has been vigorous and active. Seeing the need for its labors continue, it has enlarged its contributions and its sphere of work. It has provided for three schools. One in Washington, D. C.; one in Okalona, Miss.; the third is not yet finally located. From both its established schools it receives the most interesting and encouraging reports. The expense of each school is \$600 a year. Clothing, etc., amounting in value to \$305.17, were sent during the winter to the schools in Washington. The receipts, partly in the form of monthly subscriptions, have been \$1743. We hope next winter to continue the support of these schools, and establish at least as many more.

VIII.—MISSIONARY AID SOCIETY.

This Society met, as usual, during Lent. Its work excited much interest. 809 articles were made, and 287 given by those engaged in this branch of the Church's work. The amount contributed and expended was \$554. Two boxes of clothing were sent to Missionaries in our own Diocese, and three to the Diocese of Iowa.

IX.—TRINITY CHAPEL.

The following note will give an account of the Chapel, our most important work:—

"The statistics of Trinity Chapel indicate greater growth and prosperity than during any previous year. The attendance is larger, and more regular. The industrious working classes are now in the majority in the Congregation. There is a good increase in the offerings for Parish purposes and outside charities. There is now an average attendance of 90 at the Communion. The whole number of Communicants is about 150. Under my charge of the Chapel, 107 have been confirmed. The Reports of the Societies and Schools all show that the members, officers and teachers have been regular and faithful in their work. During the past year the Chapel has been frescoed, carpeted, and almost entirely cushioned.

"Three meetings of the Congregation, to raise funds to erect a Sunday School building in the District south of the Chapel, have resulted in obtaining \$700 in cash, and \$700 in subscriptions towards this new enterprise.

HERMAN L. DUHRING."

The Committee commend this Report, in its details, to the attention of the Congregation. It is well that all should know and feel an interest in what we have done. Every department of our work is capable of larger development, and will be aided by the hearty sympathy of all our people.

With deep gratitude and faith, we humbly dedicate the past to Christ, and ask his blessing on the future.

SIGNED :

LEMUEL COFFIN,
WM. P. CRESSON,
EDW'D S. WHELEN,
LEWIS H. REDNER,

Committee.

In connection with this Report, I lay before the Congregation the usual statement of the contributions and services of the Parish for the past year:—

Infant Baptisms, at the Church, 51.	At the Chapel, 34.	Total, 85.
Adult “ “ “ 21.	“ “ 1.	“ 22.
Confirmations, “ “ 53.	“ “ 30.	“ 83.
Marriages, “ “ 7.	“ “ 13.	“ 20.
Burials, “ “ 10.	“ “ 35.	“ 45.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Reported by the Parish Association.....	\$4943 54
Communion Alms for the Poor.....,,.....	1944 71
Foreign Missions.....	1763 59
Domestic Missions.....	582 59
Diocesan Missions.....	488 71
Support of Trinity Chapel.....	1537 10
Episcopal Hospital.....	1076 09
Holy Trinity Professorship in the Divinity School.....	2000 29
Evangelical Education Society.....	1000 00
Episcopal and Convention Funds.....	333 00
Support of the Sunday Schools of the Parish.....	785 38
Church Home and Lincoln Institution.....	495 00
Southern Famine Relief Fund.....	1201 16
Missions in Colorado.....	1050 00
Contributions at the Chapel.....	1747 69
Miscellaneous.....	1615 00

\$22,563 85

PHILLIPS BROOKS,

Rector.

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CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

PHILADELPHIA.



WEDNESDAY, *May 6*, 1868.

The Committee appointed to prepare the Annual Report of the Parish Association of the Church of the Holy Trinity presents the following account of the winter's work of the Church and the Chapel.

1.—SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Sunday Schools and Bible Classes of the Church and Chapel give evidence of vigorous growth. The alterations in the School Building of the Church have provided large and excellent apartments for the Infant School and Bible Classes, which give accommodations for larger numbers and usefulness. The increase in the Young Men's Bible Class and the Class for Men and Women has been very marked, and not only in these classes, but in all the departments there has been much spiritual life. The Colored Class of a year ago has developed into a good-sized school, conducted by interested and earnest teachers.

The Missionary contributions of all the schools have been small; but measures are now in progress to bring up to a higher standard the liberality of Teachers and Scholars.

CHURCH.

Main School.....	42 Teachers.....	385 Scholars.
Infant School.....	2 "	276 "
Colored School.....	8 "	72 "
Bible Classes.....	5 "	242 "
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57 Teachers.		975 Scholars.

CHAPEL.

Main School.....	41 Teachers.....	367 Scholars.
Infant School.....	2 "	255 "
Bible Classes.....	3 "	80 "
	46 Teachers	702 Scholars.
Total, 103 Teachers, 1677 Scholars.		

The whole number connected with the Sunday Schools and Bible Classes of the Church and Chapel is 1780. Of these 200 attend both the Church and Chapel. Of our confirmation class this Spring 43 were from the Sunday Schools and Bible Classes.

2.—SEWING SCHOOLS.

The Church Sewing-School reports:

On the Roll 332 Scholars.....	35 Teachers.
Average attendance 223 Scholars.....	30 "
400 pieces of work were finished and distributed among the Scholars.	
The expenses were \$121.67; contributed mainly by the Teachers.	
There was also a donation of material to the value of \$15.	

The Chapel Sewing School has

On the Roll 329 Scholars.....	23 Teachers.
Average attendance 200 Scholars.	
520 pieces of work were finished. The expenses of the school were about \$50.	
The average attendance of the two schools is 443 Scholars.	

3.—MOTHERS' MEETING AND NIGHT SCHOOL.

The Mothers' Meeting opened on the 1st of October, with 35 of the old members. Since then 41 new members have been brought in, most of whom, or their husbands, are now members of our Bible Classes.

Number on the Roll, 76.
Average attendance for 7 months, 27.
Expenses, \$7.50.
Deposited in Saving Fund, \$167.00.
Withdrawn, \$55.50.

It is the intention of the Ladies in charge to keep the meeting open all summer.

The Night School for girls has met every Thursday evening from the 1st of October to the 1st of May. The average attendance has been 41. The largest attendance, 61. Number on the roll, 141. Number of teachers, 7. Expenses, \$15. This is one of our most useful works.

IV.—DISTRICT VISITING.

Although there has been a smaller number of visitors engaged in this part of the Church work this year than heretofore, yet it has been carried on with much interest and effectiveness. At the beginning of the season, a new form of Report was adopted, which gave a fuller and consequently more interesting account of the work in the Districts at our monthly meetings. Over six hundred visits have been made. Several children have been added to our Sunday Schools, and many men and women to our Bible classes, through the efforts of the visitors. The reports show that in many cases the visitor has come into the closest sympathy with the visited, and that the design of the visitors this year has been not so much to add numbers to our Church and Schools, as to exert a moral and spiritual influence over those with whom they came in contact.

V.—DORCAS SOCIETY.

The officers of the Dorcas Society, for providing clothing for the Poor, report:—

Balance on hand from last year.....	\$8 15
Cash received—Subscriptions, etc.....	1022 94
Cash received from sales.....	396 44
" " for sewing.....	92 00
	<hr/> \$1519 53

Cash paid for Materials.....	\$857	93	
“ “ for Shoes.....	122	31	
“ “ for Sewing.....	282	40	
			1262 66
Balance.....			\$256 87
Number of Garments sold.....	693		
Distributed from the Church.....	403	Garments—75 pairs	of shoes.
“ “ Chapel.....	308	“ 40	“
Remaining at the Church.....	404	“	“
			“
Total.....	1808	115	“
Donation to Freedmen's Aid Society	60	Garments.	
“ Episcopal Hospital.....	51	“	

VI.—FREEDMEN'S AID SOCIETY.

We have now four schools under the care of and supported by our Society. One at Okolowa, Miss., taught by Miss C. N. Stackford; one at Lynchburg, Va., taught by Miss Millie Phelps; one at City Point, Va., taught by Mr. John L. Sharpe, and one at Roxborough, N. C., taught by Miss Annie Cumming. From all of them we have frequent reports full of interest and encouragement. We have received for their support during the year, \$2478 19. Of this sum besides the support of our own Schools, we have appropriated for the rebuilding of a Church and School in Petersburg, Va., \$300—and for a Teacher's salary, \$250, through the Episcopal Freedmen's Commission. We must ask in the fall for large contributions to carry on the schools next winter, and we do not fear that we shall ask in vain.

VII.—MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

This Society has done more work than usual this year. Besides the usual Lent work a box costing \$191 50 was sent last

summer to our African Mission, and in the fall a box was sent to a missionary in our own Diocese, at an expense of \$53. The Lent contributions amounted to \$605. From this fund 3 boxes of clothing were sent in our own Diocese, three boxes and 25 yards of carpet, the latter a gift of a member of our church, to Iowa, 1 box to Kansas, and 1 box to Georgia. Besides these gifts a gown was presented by the Society for the use of Trinity Chapel. The whole amount collected during the year was \$849 50.

VIII.—PARISH LIBRARY.

The number of Books added to the Library since the Last Report is 68. The amount received for the Library is \$147. The whole number of Books now in the Library is 1111.

The Library is used as much as heretofore, but a Printed Catalogue of the whole Library is very much needed. About one-third of the Books in the Library are not in the Printed Catalogue. The Librarian has arranged a written Catalogue of all the Books.

The number of desirable Books is so large and the amount of money received for the Library so small that it has been thought best to postpone the publication of the Catalogue, but it is hoped that a full and suitable one may soon be issued.

The Chapel has a Parish Library of 737 volumes.

Trinity Chapel still continues to increase in prosperity. Its Congregations are large and its work is full of energy and spirit. Some contemplated changes in the building this year will increase its accommodations and convenience. We have great reason to be encouraged at its condition.

It may not be out of place to state here, though not coming within the operations of this association, that the Vestry have made arrangements for the completion of the Tower of the Church; the money for which and other improvements, it is not doubted will soon be contributed. Many liberal subscriptions have already been made for these objects.

It will be seen from this Report, compiled from the statements of the various Auxiliaries and Committees belonging to the Parish Association, that the past year has been full of interest and that much good has been accomplished. We are thankful for what has been done, but still feel that we have been unprofitable servants. We must not be satisfied with our present attainments; but, looking to God for His favor and blessing, let us put forth all our energies to extend the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ.

SIGNED :

LEMUEL COFFIN,
EDW'D S. WHELEN,
WM. P. CRESSON,
LEWIS H. REDNER,

Committee.

In connection with this Report, I offer to the Congregation the usual statement of the services and contributions of the Parish for the past year.

On the evening of Wednesday, April 22, Bishop Lee, of Delaware, confirmed at the Church 82 candidates, of whom 55 were from the Church, 23 from the Chapel, and 4 from other Parishes.

Infant Baptisms, at the Church, 29.	At the Chapel, 43.	Total 72.
Adult " " " 33.	" " 2.	" 35.
Marriages, " " 11.	" " 17.	" 28.
Burials, " " 13.	" " 31.	" 44.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Reported by the Parish Association.....	\$5453 60
Communion Alms for the Poor.....	2530 86
Foreign Missions.....	2052 81
Domestic Missions.....	3075 60
Diocesan Missions.....	626 76
Support of Trinity Chapel.....	1891 66
Evangelical Education Society.....	1494 14
Episcopal Hospital.....	1097 65
Support of the Sunday Schools of the Parish.....	646 50
Contributions at the Chapel.....	1278 87
Relief of the Cretan Sufferers.....	681 31
Episcopal and Convention Funds.....	233 00
Deaf Mute Mission.....	312 00
Church Home.....	200 00
Holy Trinity Professorship in the Divinity School.....	100 00
Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen.....	200 00
Promotion of Christianity among the Jews.....	150 00
Bishop White Prayer Book Society.....	100 00
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PHILLIPS BROOKS,

Rector.

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1869.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

PHILADELPHIA.

Saturday, *May 15*, 1869.

The Parish Association of the Church of the Holy Trinity presents the following account of the winter's work of the Church and Chapel.

1.—SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Sunday Schools and Bible Classes of the Church and Chapel have been very prosperous during the past year, and show an increase of 12 Teachers and 113 Scholars. The average attendance in good weather has been very large. We herewith submit the statistics in detail.

CHURCH.

Main School.....	42 Teachers.....	388 Scholars.
Infant School.....	2 "	297 "
Colored School.....	16 "	130 "
Bible Classes.....	5 "	260 "
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65 Teachers.		1075 Scholars.

CHAPEL.

Main School.....	44 Teachers.....	355 Scholars.
Infant School.....	3 "	275 "
Bible Classes.....	3 "	85 "
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50 Teachers.		715 Scholars.
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Total, 115 Teachers, 1790 Scholars.		

The whole number connected with the Sunday Schools and Bible Classes of the Church and Chapel is 1905. Of these about 200 attend both the Church and Chapel.

The contributions of the Schools and Classes during the year for Missionary objects, amount to \$650.09.

Of the Confirmation Classes this Spring a large number were from the Sunday Schools and Bible Classes.

2.—SEWING SCHOOLS.

The Church Sewing-School reports :

335 Scholars, 34 Teachers.

Average attendance, 247 Scholars.

418 pieces of work were finished which were distributed among the Scholars.

The expenses amounted to \$93.61.

The Chapel Sewing-School reports :

On the Roll, 437 Scholars, 31 Teachers.

Average attendance, 240.

3 large quilts and 540 pieces of work were finished.

The expenses were \$134.35.

Donations of goods were received to the value of \$25.

3.—MOTHER'S MEETING.

The ladies in charge of the Mother's Meeting kept it open all last Summer, and, having seen the good resulting from their experiment, intend doing the same this year. The Report is therefore for twelve months.

Number on the Roll, 69.

Average attendance, 24.

Expenses, nothing.

Money saved by members during last Summer, and invested in the Fuel Savings Society, to purchase coal, \$308.00.

Contributed by the members, in sewing, to the Episcopal Hospital, \$35.87.

Contributed by the members, in sewing, to the Colored Soldiers and Sailors' Orphan's Home, \$7.00.

The Mother's Meeting is now a Missionary Society and a meeting for religious instruction. Instead of ranking among the charities of the Church, it is now cooperating with the other societies in aiding the sick and suffering. The principal part of the work done at it is missionary work, the members giving their time.

4.—NIGHT SCHOOLS.

The night school for girls at the Church closed on the first of May, after having been open every Thursday evening for seven months. The largest attendance was 69. Average attendance, 44. Number of Teachers, 6. Expenses, \$10.

The Night School for boys at Trinity Chapel was held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, from the first of December to the first of May. 200 boys were entered. The average attendance was 120.

The School was conducted under great difficulty owing to the want of regular teachers. During another winter, under a better organization, we hope to do more for the education of our Scholars.

V.—DISTRICT VISITING.

More than usual interest has been manifested in this part of the Church work during the past year. All the districts were supplied with faithful and efficient workers, and the hearty and willing cooperation of the minister of Trinity Chapel aided in no small degree in carrying on the work. Over 600 visits were made and many children were added to the schools.

VI.—DORCAS SOCIETY.

The officers of the Dorcas Society, for providing clothing for the Poor, report:—

Balance from last year.....	\$256 87
Cash received—Subscriptions, etc.....	817 67
Cash received from sales.....	397 93
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	\$1472 47

Cash paid for Materials.....	\$982 15	
" " for Shoes.....	149 96	
" " for Sewing.....	313 80	
		1445 91
Balance.....	\$26 56	
Number of Garments sold.....	555	
Distributed from the Church.....	498	Garments—76 pairs of shoes.
" " the Chapel.....	308	" 21 "
Remaining at the Church & Chapel	468	"
Total.....	1829	97
Donation to the Episcopal Hospital.....	52	Garments.
" " Freedmen's Society.....	56	"
" " Church of the Crucifixion...	15	"

VII.—FREEDMEN'S AID SOCIETY.

We have had nine schools this winter, under our care, in Mississippi, North Carolina, Virginia, and Maryland. They are all doing well. The success which has attended them will, it is hoped, make our people ready to continue their interest and labors in this direction so long as they shall be needed.

The Treasurer reports:—

Balance from last year.....	\$988 00
Received this year.....	1810 88
	2798 88
Expended	2166 00
Balance, May, 1869.....	632 88

With the exception of \$231, which was collected expressly for Industrial Schools and for a Christmas offering to some of the schools, the whole amount expended was paid to the Pennsylvania Freedmen's Commission.

VIII.—MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

This Society met as usual during Lent, but we regret to say that our contributions have not been as large as usual. For Missionaries in this country we received, \$512.50. From this

fund 1 Box of clothing and 45 yds. of carpet were sent to Delaware, 2 boxes to Iowa, 1 box to Oregon, and 3 boxes to our own Diocese. During the summer of 1868, \$197 was contributed for a box for Africa. The whole amount received during the year has been \$709.50.

IX.—PARISH LIBRARIES.

The number of Books added to the Church Library since the last report is 32, making the whole number 1143.

The Rector's Library has received 20 volumes, and now contains about 300.

The Librarian finds much difficulty in the use of the Library, owing to the absence of a Catalogue, which the funds contributed have not been sufficient to provide. Both for this purpose and also for the constant purchase of new books, a larger liberality is solicited.

The Chapel Library has received during the past year donations of 400 valuable volumes. It now numbers in all about 1000.

In connection with the Chapel Library a young men's meeting has been held at the Chapel, every Tuesday evening since the first of May. These meetings are intended to be social and instructive. Various monthly and weekly periodicals are taken, and the Library is thrown open. The first part of the evening is appropriated to reading and amusements, and the latter part to a lecture on an interesting subject, by some one of the lecturers of our city. The meeting has thus far been most successful.

Trinity Chapel, under the charge of the Rev. R. N. Thomas, has been more prosperous than ever. The changes in the arrangement of the Building have added to the efficiency of its schools, and a faithful and energetic corps of teachers have carried them on with vigor and success.

The work of completing the Tower of the Church, which was proposed in the last report, has been accomplished, to the full satisfaction of the congregation. The funds for this purpose, amounting to \$30,000, were freely contributed.

We reserve for the next Report, an account of the efforts made in our congregation to secure means for building the new Church of the Holy Apostles, at the corner of 21st and Christian Streets. Liberal contributions have been made, and we hope that the sum still required will be soon completed. Subscriptions for this purpose will be most acceptable.

We lay before the congregation this account of another year's work with much thankfulness to God, and a sincere prayer for His help and blessing in time to come.

SIGNED:

JOHN BOHLEN,
LEMUEL COFFIN,
WM. P. CRESSON,

Committee.

In connection with this Report, I offer to the Congregation the usual statement of the services and contributions of the Parish for the past year.

Infant Baptisms, at the Church, 61.	At the Chapel, 28.	Total 89.
Adult " " " 24.	" " 5.	" 29.
Confirmations, " " 61.	" " 34.	" 95.
Marriages, " " 14.	" " 1.	" 15.
Burials, " " 32.	" " 19.	" 51.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Report by the Parish Association.....	\$4295 88
Communion Alms for the Poor.....	2122 45
Foreign Missions.....	2925 26
Domestic Missions.....	2898 89
Theological Education.....	2293 45
Support of Trinity Chapel.....	2071 00
Completion of the Church Tower.....	30000 00
Episcopal Hospital.....	1316 66
Support of the Sunday Schools of the Parish.....	1018 87
Episcopal and Convention Funds.....	325 00
Christmas Fund.....	200 00
Diocesan Missions.....	626 75
News' Boy's Home.....	278 00
Indian's Home.....	513 00
Collections at Trinity Chapel.....	274 42
Miscellaneous.....	804 44
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	\$51,964 07

PHILLIPS BROOKS,

Rector.

The contributions of the Parish for the first ten years of its existence, just completed, amount to over \$250,000, exclusive of pew-rents.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF

THE PARISH ASSOCIATION

OF THE

CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

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CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

PHILADELPHIA.

WEDNESDAY, *May* 25, 1870.

THE PARISH ASSOCIATION of the Church of the Holy Trinity makes the following report of the work of the Church and Chapel for the year, from May, 1869, to May, 1870.

1. SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BIBLE CLASSES of the Church and the Chapel have been maintained with full numbers, as will be seen by the detailed statistics.

CHURCH.

Main School.....	42 Teachers.	380 Scholars.
Infant School.....	3 "	293 "
Colored School.....	15 "	125 "
Bible Classes.....	5 "	275 "
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65 Teachers.		1073 Scholars.

CHAPEL.

Main School.....	45 Teachers.....	362 Scholars.
Infant School.....	3 "	280 "
Bible Classes.....	3 "	90 "
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51 Teachers.		732 Scholars.

Total, 116 Teachers, and 1805 Scholars.

The whole number of teachers and scholars connected with the Sunday Schools and Bible Classes of the Church and Chapel is 1,921. Of these about 200 attend the Schools of both the Church and the Chapel. The contributions for Missionary objects amounted to only about \$600.

We are happy to say that the Confirmation Classes this spring included many from the Bible Classes and Schools.

2. SEWING SCHOOLS.

THE CHURCH SEWING-SCHOOL reports:

29 Teachers, 268 Scholars.

Average attendance, 192 Scholars.

288 pieces of work were made and distributed.

The expenses amounted to \$81.78.

THE CHAPEL SEWING-SCHOOL reports:

25 Teachers, 345 Scholars.

Average attendance, 202 Scholars.

One large quilt was made and presented to the Church Home, and

632 pieces of other work were made and distributed.

The expenses amounted to \$117.45.

The two schools meet at the same hour every Saturday morning, for a period of about six months each year.

The children learn with much eagerness, and in many instances the work is very neatly and handsomely done. The devotional exercises are an important element for good in these schools.

3. NIGHT SCHOOLS.

THE NIGHT SCHOOL FOR GIRLS at the Church was open from October to April, and numbered about 75 scholars, with an average attendance of 40. Six female teachers from the congregation were engaged in teaching, and the whole expense did not exceed \$10.

THE NIGHT SCHOOL FOR BOYS at the Chapel was organized upon a new plan this season. The want of discipline under the former system of volunteer teachers induced the Rev. Mr. Thomas, in charge of the Chapel, to make an appeal from the chancel of the Church, under the advice of the wardens, for money to procure teachers from the public schools of our city, that the boys' school might be carried on with more efficiency. The appeal was responded to by the congregation by the liberal sum of \$670. The school was then commenced with seven capable teachers under the superintendence of Mrs. Etris, the Principal of the A. D. Bache School, and has prospered beyond expectation. About 120 boys have been admitted, and the average attendance has been 85, all of whom have been willing and anxious to learn. The school has been open on three evenings of each week, and it is designed to re-open it again in the fall for a period of six months.

At the closing exercises this month, prizes were distributed to several of the scholars for good conduct, and appropriate pieces were spoken by four of the boys; after which addresses were made by the Rev. Mr. Thomas, and some of our citizens who are interested in the school. The expenses have been larger this season, because of the necessity of procuring new furniture and books, but there is a balance of money on hand with which to begin the school again in the autumn.

4. MOTHERS' MEETING.

These meetings have been held weekly all the year. The number of members on the roll is 61, and the average attendance 20. The largest attendance was 37.

No expense has been incurred, the members having been encouraged to help themselves. The value of sewing contributed by the members of this department to the Episcopal

Hospital, Lincoln Institution and Church Home was about \$50. During the summer the members saved and invested in the Coal Fund \$140.

This class would probably be more largely attended if charity was bestowed, but it is believed that the plan upon which it is conducted is far better for the members. Formerly they received assistance, but now they take care of themselves and help others.

5. DISTRICT VISITING.

This work was not entered upon with much spirit, until late in the season, when a full corps of visitors was obtained. Two hundred families have been regularly visited, and many children have been brought into the Sunday Schools.

6. DORCAS SOCIETY.

The officers of this department for providing clothing for the poor, and especially for the children, report:—

Balance on hand last year.....	\$26 56
Cash received from Subscriptions, etc.....	724 00
“ “ “ Sales.....	319 01
“ “ for Sewing.....	64 00
	<u>1,133 57</u>
Cash paid for Materials.....	\$827 14
“ “ for Shoes.....	65 51
“ “ for Work.....	236 04
	<u>1,128 69</u>
Balance.....	\$4 88
Garments sold, at cost of material.....	466
Given from the Church.....	433
“ “ Chapel.....	196
Remaining at the Church and Chapel.....	343
Total.....	<u>1,438</u>

Donations to the Seamen's Mission, 78 garments, and to the News-boys' Home, 23. Over 60 pairs of shoes were given away.

7. LADIES' MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

This Society met during Lent, as customary. The amount of money contributed this year was not as large as usual, but very liberal donations of clothing and work were received. The amount of subscriptions received was \$563.

Four boxes of clothing were sent to ministers in our own Diocese, one to North Carolina, and one to Africa.

8. FREEDMEN'S AID SOCIETY.

It has been deemed proper, after due consideration of the subject, to bring the operations of this Society to a close, and hereafter we shall make our contributions for the education of the Freedmen through the ordinary channels of the Church. We feel thankful that so much has been done for this cause by our Parish, but the time has probably now come when the Freedmen will be able to do more for themselves.

Balance on hand last year.....	\$632 88
Cash received since.....	513 14
	<u>1,146 02</u>
Paid out during the year.....	\$825 00
Balance paid over to the Penna. Freedmen's Relief Association.....	321 02
	<u>1,146 02</u>

9. PARISH LIBRARY.

The number of new books added to the CHURCH LIBRARY the past year was only 12, making the whole number of volumes 1,155.

By authority of the Vestry the Librarian has recently issued a circular to the members of the Congregation, asking for money to increase the Library, and it is hoped that liberal responses will be made to the appeal. We want many more new books and a new catalogue.

THE CHAPEL LIBRARY numbers more than 1,000 volumes, and is largely used by that Congregation.

10. TRINITY CHAPEL.

THE CHAPEL, under the faithful and earnest services of the Rev. Mr. Thomas, the Assistant-Minister of this Church, continues to prosper and is doing a most excellent work.

Free Lectures have been delivered during the winter, by gentlemen of ability, which have been well attended, and no doubt have accomplished much good.

It will be noticed that a large part of the contributions the past year have been given to the Building Fund of the new Church of the Holy Apostles, corner of Twenty-first and Christian streets. The Church will need about \$15,000 more to complete it, and we commend it to the favorable consideration of all who are able and willing to aid a good enterprise.

By the death of Mrs. William Bucknell our Church has lost a most valuable member. While her health permitted she was an earnest worker, and at all times she was a cheerful and liberal giver. Besides the large amount contributed by her within a few months of her decease, and noted in this report, she has bequeathed \$20,000 for the benefit of the Philadelphia Divinity School, \$10,000 to the Episcopal Hospital, and \$5,000 to the late Rector of this Church.

The most important event in the history of our Church, during the past year, was the resignation of the Rector, the Rev. Phillips Brooks. We cannot better express our own feelings upon this subject than by adopting the language of the following resolutions passed, at the time, by the Vestry.

Resolved, That in accepting with deep regret the resignation of our beloved Rector, who has for over seven years been bound to us by such strong official and personal ties, we are happy to state that both the outward prosperity of this Church, and the spiritual success with which it has been blessed, as well as the favor it has found in the community generally, are very largely due to his conduct as its Rector, and to his eminent ability as a Christian Minister, and that during the whole time, not a shadow of anything has occurred to interrupt the cordial relations which have subsisted between him and the Congregation.

Resolved, That we present to him, in parting, our heartfelt wishes and our earnest prayers for his future welfare and efficiency.

We are happy to say that the Rector elect of this Church, the Rev. Thomas A. Jaggar, of the Diocese of New York, will enter upon his duties early in the autumn. We believe he will faithfully and energetically carry on the work of this Parish.

In closing our report we owe it to the large body of workers in this Church to say, that, while laboring under the great disadvantage of having no Rector for the larger and more important part of the year, they have still wrought with earnestness and a hearty good will. We praise God for what we have been enabled to accomplish and look to Him to give us courage for the future.

LEMUEL COFFIN,
JOHN BOHLEN,
WILLIAM P. CRESSON,
EDWARD S. WHELEN,
Committee.

In connection with the foregoing report we present to the congregation the usual statement of the services and contributions of the Parish for the past year.

Infant Baptisms at the Church....	33	At the Chapel.....	49	Total.....	82
Adult " " " "	6	" " " "	4	" "	10
Confirmations, " " "	21	" " " "	45	" "	66
Marriages, " " "	14	" " " "	2	" "	16
Burials, " " "	19	" " " "	26	" "	45

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Reported by the Parish Association.....	\$3,702 38
Communion Alms.....	1,828 81
Domestic Missions.....	626 55
Indian Hope Mission.....	481 00
Special for Missionary in Colorado.....	1,200 00
Foreign Missions.....	1,401 19
Special for Missionary to Africa	900 00
Diocesan Missions.....	502 27
Theological Education.....	1,050 00
Endowment of Alonzo Potter Scholarship by Mrs. Bucknell	5,000 00
Episcopal Hospital	941 65
Episcopal and Convention Fund.....	300 00
Christmas Fund for Disabled Clergymen.....	200 00
Building Fund of the Church of the Holy Apostles.....	23,000 00
Building Fund of the Church Home.....	1,795 00
Church Home for Current Expenses.....	784 00
Day Nursery, " " " ".....	348 50
Lincoln Institution.....	1,850 00
Orphan Asylum for Boys.....	250 00
Episcopal Residence.....	6,300 00
Support of Trinity Chapel.....	1,740 59
Support of the Sunday-schools of the Parish.....	558 24
Family of a Deceased Clergyman.....	1,405 00
Avondale Relief Fund.....	550 19
American Bible Society.....	150 00
Promotion of Christianity among the Jews.....	150 00
Collections and Contributions at Trinity Chapel.....	630 49
Miscellaneous.....	331 56
Total amount of Contributions.....	57,977 42
Pew Rents received.....	14,605 50
	\$72,582 92

JOHN BOHLEN, }
LEMUEL COFFIN, } Church Wardens.

PHILADELPHIA, May 25, 1870.

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SATURDAY, *May* 27, 1871.

THE PARISH ASSOCIATION of the Church of the Holy Trinity makes the following report of the work of the Church and Chapel for the year ending May 1st, 1871.

1. SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

THE SUNDAY-SCHOOLS AND BIBLE CLASSES of the Church and the Chapel make the following exhibit:

CHURCH.

Main School,	43 Teachers.	856 Scholars.
Infant School,	3 " .	217 "
Colored School,	22 " .	183 "
Bible Classes,	6 " .	248 "
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	73 Teachers.	1004 Scholars.

CHAPEL.

Main School,	44 Teachers.	318 Scholars.
Infant School,	3 " .	214 "
Bible Classes,	3 " .	102 "
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	50 Teachers.	634 Scholars.

Total, 123 Teachers and 1,638 Scholars.

The whole number of teachers and scholars connected with the Sunday-Schools and Bible Classes of the Church and Chapel is 1,761. Of these about 200 attend both the Church and Chapel Schools. Many of the candidates confirmed this spring came from the Bible Classes and Schools.

The contributions of the Schools for Missionary objects amounted to about \$500. We hope and believe that the sum will be larger the coming year. During the Christmas season, festivals on a liberal scale were given to the several schools, and during the winter two or three exhibitions, of an entertaining and amusing character, were given to the children. The Bible Classes of men and women at the Church were handsomely entertained, on a recent evening, by the teachers, when the large Sunday School room was suitably arranged for the purpose. The interest of the occasion was enlivened by good vocal music, and at the close the whole company descended to the Parish rooms on the lower floor, and partook of a bountiful repast prepared for them by the ladies. The Rector and several members of the Church were present. It was altogether a very pleasant and agreeable social gathering. These various festivals, exhibitions and entertainments cost about \$600, contributed by a few members of the congregation.

2. SEWING SCHOOLS.

THE CHURCH SEWING SCHOOL reports :

24 Teachers and 220 Scholars.
Average attendance, 163 Scholars.
270 pieces of work were made and distributed.
Expenses, including the festival, \$67.98.

THE CHAPEL SEWING SCHOOL reports :

23 Teachers and 260 Scholars.
Average attendance, 150 Scholars.
531 pieces of work were made and distributed, and one large quilt was given to the Church Home.
Expenses, including festival and prizes, \$82.43.

The Schools meet at the same hour every Saturday morning during the winter and spring months. It will be seen that over 300 children are in regular attendance. The management of the Schools is excellent, and the interest manifested by the teachers and scholars is very encouraging.

3. NIGHT SCHOOLS.

THE NIGHT SCHOOL FOR GIRLS at the Church was open once a week from October to April. A large number of scholars entered, but the attendance was irregular and only averaged 30. The instruction was given by a few ladies of the congregation, and the expense for books and stationery was \$11.75. It is proposed to reorganize the School under competent paid teachers, and to have at least two sessions a week.

THE NIGHT SCHOOL FOR BOYS at the Chapel, which was started by the previous minister, has been maintained in successful operation for six months on two evenings of the week. An able corps of teachers is employed, and two ladies have rendered valuable services gratuitously. More than a hundred boys have been under instruction during the past season, and many have acquired considerable proficiency. The training, although to a great extent secular, includes a judicious presentation of religious truth. In addition to the balance remaining from last year, \$225 have been donated by generous patrons of the School. We appeal to the liberality of the Parish to carry forward this good work.

The closing exercises of the School consisted of select pieces spoken by a few of the boys, and addresses made by Mayor Fox, Hon. Charles E. Lex and the Rev. Mr. Neilson. A large attendance of the friends of the Chapel was brought out on this occasion, and everything passed off to the gratification of all present.

4. MOTHERS' MEETING.

THE MOTHERS' MEETING has been held every Tuesday evening throughout the year, with the exception of two or three weeks in mid-summer. 51 members are on the roll, and the average attendance 19. The largest attendance on any occasion was 37. No expense has been incurred, but the following contributions have been made by the class:

Invested in Coal Fund,	\$128 50
Contributed in sewing to the Episcopal Hospital,	21 37
Contributed to the Children's Hospital, &c.,	13 00

A very pleasant entertainment was given by the ladies in charge of the meeting last fall, which was very largely attended. The expense, \$40, was contributed by a few friends of the work.

5. DISTRICT VISITING.

The work of visiting the District was carried on the past season by the female teachers of the Sunday Schools, and by some of the ladies connected with the Dorcas Society. The District has been thoroughly canvassed, but from the shifting character of many of the people there will always be something for visitors to do.

6. DORCAS SOCIETY.

THE DORCAS SOCIETY of the Church has been efficiently worked, and exhibits the following results:

Balance on hand last year,	\$4 88	
Received from subscriptions,	832 25	
Received from sales,	189 04	
	<hr/>	\$1,026 17
Paid for materials,	\$481 27	
Paid for sewing,	168 69	
Paid for shoes,	197 43	
Donation to Ladies' Missionary Society,	50 00	
Donation to South,	70 00	
	<hr/>	957 39
Balance on hand,		\$68 78
Garments sold at cost of materials,	300	
" given away, mostly for children,	402	
" on hand	371	
110 pairs of shoes have been given out.		
		<hr/> 1,073

7. LADIES' MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

This Society held its usual meetings during the Lenten season. The few ladies who manage the Society have been quite successful, but they desire the sympathy and co-operation of all the ladies of the Parish. Liberal donations of clothing and work were received.

Subscriptions received for the General Missionary Fund,	\$493 29
Received for the African box,	173 00
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	\$666 29

Three boxes of clothing were sent to clergymen in our own Diocese, one to Illinois, two to Minnesota, and one to Africa.

8. PARISH LIBRARY.

The response to the appeal of the Librarian last season was quite liberal on the part of a few persons, and amounted to \$455 and 14 books. Of new books, 214 have been added to the Library, which now numbers 1,369 volumes. At the beginning of the fall season a new and improved catalogue will be issued. The Library is open every Saturday afternoon, and on Wednesday evenings after Lecture. The Library is an excellent one, and the members of the congregation are invited to use it more freely.

THE CHAPEL LIBRARY contains about 1,000 volumes. It is open on three evenings of the week, and is well patronized by the young people of the Chapel. A kind friend has supplied the Library with the standard periodicals of the day, so that there is but little to wish for in this department.

9. TRINITY CHAPEL.

THE REV. RICHARD N. THOMAS, the assistant minister of the Church, after a very earnest and faithful service at the Chapel of over two years, resigned the position early in the winter, and is now laboring successfully as Rector of a Church in the northwestern part of the city. He endeared himself very much to the people of the Chapel, as well as to all the co-workers in that field from our Church. We wish him much prosperity in his new field.

THE REV. WILLIAM H. NEILSON, JR., of New York, was elected to succeed Mr. Thomas, and entered upon his duties in February. He has begun his labors with great energy, and the congregation, under his faithful ministry, we believe, will go on increasing from month to month.

THE CHAPEL appears to be in a flourishing condition, and a growing interest is manifest in all the different branches of the work. Several improvements have recently been made in the Chancel furniture, the result of the contributions and special efforts of the congregation. A Young People's Association has just been formed, having for its object the spiritual, moral and mental good of the congregation. By it we hope to afford instructive entertainment to the young, and direct their efforts in the cause of Christ, and for the welfare of the Chapel.

10. CHURCH OF THE HOLY APOSTLES.

Since our last report, the CHURCH OF THE HOLY APOSTLES, corner of Twenty-first and Christian streets, to the Building Fund of which our congregation has contributed very largely, has been completed, and gives promise of great success in that new and rapidly growing neighborhood. Its Sunday School already numbers over 400 children. We have reason to believe that our interest in this new enterprise will prove to be very fruitful in good results.

Our new Rector, the REV. THOMAS A. JAGGAR, entered upon his duties early last fall, and all the departments of Parish work are now in successful operation.

In bringing our report to a close for another year, we devoutly thank God for all that has been done, and looking to Him in faith, we pray that our labors in the future may be characterized by a more devoted zeal that will give us greater success in extending the Kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

LEMUEL COFFIN,

JOHN BOHLEN,

WILLIAM P. CRESSON,

LEWIS H. REDNER,

Committee.

In connection with the foregoing report, I present to the Congregation the usual statement of Services and Contributions of the Parish, for the year ending May 1, 1871.

Infant Baptisms at the Church, 12,	At the Chapel 26.	Total 38
Adult Baptisms " 6,	" " 3.	" 9
Confirmations " 29,	" " 25.	" 54
Marriages " 6,	" " 4.	" 10
Burials " 13,	" " 18.	" 31

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Reported by the Parish Association,	\$3,704 11
Communion Alms,	1,873 09
City Missions,	830 49
Diocesan Missions,	520 00
Domestic Missions,	626 92
Home Missions to Colored People,	417 81
Indian Hope Mission,	466 00
Special for Minnesota,	1,150 00
Female Education, Kansas, (from two persons)	1,500 00
Foreign Missions,	1,450 30
Reform movement in Mexico,	1,125 00
Church of the Holy Apostles, additional to Building Fund,	5,225 00
Church of the Holy Apostles, for current expenses,	2,600 00
Relief of the Church of St. John the Evangelist,	1,575 00
Church Home for Children,	6,175 00
Lincoln Institution for Boys,	1,947 00
Episcopal Hospital,	805 64
Children's Hospital,	924 00
Day Nursery,	304 00
Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	210 73
Women's Christian Association,	1,000 00
Promotion of Christianity among the Jews,	150 00
Bishop White Prayer Book Society,	125 00
Theological Education,	715 86
Episcopal and Convention Fund,	300 00
French and German Relief Fund,	408 61
Support of Trinity Chapel,	2,346 43
Support of the Parish Sunday Schools,	505 25
Collections and Contributing at the Chapel,	562 81
Repairing and fitting up Parsonages,	2,750 00
Miscellaneous,	489 13

Total amount of Contributions. \$42,783 18

Pew Rents received. 15,256 50

\$58,039 68

THOMAS A. JAGGAR,
Rector.

PHILADELPHIA, May 27, 1871.

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Church of the Holy Trinity,

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FRIDAY, MAY 31st, 1872.

THE PARISH ASSOCIATION of the Church of the Holy Trinity presents the following report of the work of the Church and the Chapel for the year ending May 1st, 1872.

1. Sunday Schools.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BIBLE CLASSES of the Church and the Chapel make the following exhibit:

CHURCH.

MAIN SCHOOL,	43 Teachers.	329 Scholars.
INFANT SCHOOL,	3 "	203 "
COLORED SCHOOL,	18 "	160 "
BIBLE CLASSES,	6 "	215 "
	<u>70</u> "	<u>907</u> "

CHAPEL.

MAIN SCHOOL,	39 Teachers.	301 Scholars.
INFANT SCHOOL,	3 "	183 "
BIBLE CLASSES,	3 "	117 "
	<u>45</u> "	<u>601</u> "

Total, 115 Teachers and Officers, and 1508 Scholars.

Making the whole number of teachers and scholars connected with the Sunday Schools and Bible Classes of the Church and Chapel, 1623. Of these about 150 attend both schools. The Missionary

Offerings for the year amount to \$700. Christmas festivals were given to the children at the Church and at the Chapel; and at other times exhibitions and entertainments of an instructive and pleasing character. The expense of these entertainments did not exceed \$500, the money for which was contributed by a few members of the congregation.

Of the candidates confirmed this spring a large number came from the Bible Classes and Sunday Schools.

The Schools are not so large as they have been, owing no doubt principally to the great prevalence of the small pox during the past season. This has prevented the addition of many new scholars, and has made the attendance somewhat irregular. We shall expect and hope for better things the coming fall and winter.

2. Sewing Schools.

THE CHURCH SEWING SCHOOL reports:

16 Teachers, 152 Scholars.
200 pieces of work made and distributed.
The expenses amounted to \$58.89.

THE CHAPEL SEWING SCHOOL reports:

15 Teachers, 200 Scholars.
474 pieces of work, large and small, made and distributed.
They also made a large and handsome Quilt, which they gave to the Church Home.
The expenses amounted to \$98.81.

These Schools have met as usual at the same hour every Saturday morning, from October to April.

3. Night Schools.

THE NIGHT SCHOOL FOR GIRLS at the Church was open twice a week for a period of five months. During this time 69 scholars were enrolled, but the attendance was not large owing to the prevailing epidemic. The two teachers employed in this school have been regular and faithful, and have taken a deep interest in the welfare of the scholars. They report that the pupils generally were ignorant of the simplest branches of learning. Some of them, who were otherwise capable, being prevented on this account from obtaining better situations in life. Many of them have, by their earnest application, learned to read, write and do small sums in arithmetic. A few of the younger girls, who came with no particular object other than to pass an evening in a place brighter and pleasanter than their own homes, have become interested in learning, and show a marked improvement in manners and deportment. Though the school has not been large in numbers it has proved a blessing to those who were able to avail themselves of its liberal advantages, and they have shown their appreciation by attending the school under great disadvantages. Many came long distances after a wearisome day of labor in shop or factory. The pupils feel grateful to the kind friends who have furnished them with the means of improvement, and desire to return their thanks to their benefactors. They will be glad to avail themselves of the school when it shall be opened again.

The expense of carrying on the school was \$191.45, including books, blackboard, and the pay of teachers.

4. District Visiting.

The former systematic plan of visiting the District will be resumed next season. During the past season it has devolved princi-

pally upon the female teachers of the Parish, and some of the ladies of the Dorcas Society. They have been very efficient in their labors, and, though they have run great risk in visiting, all have escaped unharmed.

5. Dorcas Society.

THE DORCAS SOCIETY of the Church has been faithfully carried on, and makes the following statement.

Balance on hand last year,	\$ 68.78
Received from Subscriptions,	705.98
Received from Sales,	96.12
	<u>\$870.88</u>
Paid for Materials,	431.11
Paid for Sewing,	145.31
Paid for Shoes,	126.46
Donations in Money,	70.00
	<u>772.88</u>
Balance on hand,	\$ 98.00
Garments sold at cost of Materials,	94
Garments given away, including 96 to the Episcopal Hospital,	415
Garments remaining on hand,	277
	<u>786</u>
Pairs of Shoes given away,	75

6. Ladies' Missionary Society.

This Society met during the Lenten season, as usual. Liberal donations in money and material were received. Two boxes of Clothing were sent to clergymen in our own Diocese, one to Texas, one to Kansas, one to Kentucky, and one to Africa, making six in all.

7. Parish Library.

THE PARISH LIBRARY now contains more than 1400 volumes, a few new and choice books having been added during the year. The Library is now in excellent condition, and a larger use of it is recommended.

THE CHAPEL LIBRARY contains over 1000 volumes, and is freely used by the young people.

If to these Libraries be added the books in the Sunday Schools of the Church and Chapel, numbering more than 1600, it will be seen that there are now in the various Libraries of the Parish 4000 volumes for the use of young and old.

8. Men's Association for Christian Work.

THE MEN'S ASSOCIATION for Christian work, a new auxiliary to the Parish Association, has just been organized, and has a roll of about forty members, most of whom are young men. They are divided into three Committees, viz.: Committee on Working Men, Committee on Missions, and Committee on Strangers. The Committee on Working Men have taken all the necessary steps for the organization of a Working Men's Club and Institute, in connection with the Association. Spacious rooms have been secured in the large building at the southeast corner of Twenty-fourth and Chestnut streets, at an annual rent of six hundred dollars. They have been properly fitted up and arranged for the purposes intended—one as a Library and Reading Room, one for Newspapers and Games, and the others for School and Lecture Rooms.

The members of the Congregation have already been invited to make contributions of books for the Library, but the result of the

invitation, so far, has not proved very encouraging to the committee. In this connection, the committee desire it to be understood that they have no use for juvenile or old school books. What they want is a collection of useful and entertaining books, which men of ordinary intelligence may read with interest and advantage to themselves. Their aim is to make the rooms as attractive as possible by the means referred to, and by all other proper means within their reach, and thus provide a place where working men may pass their spare time in reading and conversation, and find pleasure and amusement without resorting to taverns.

The Missionary Committee have in contemplation a vigorous and much needed work in the neighborhood of the Schuylkill River. Many of the people in this vicinity are in great moral and spiritual destitution, and their condition calls loudly upon us for help.

As this Association is organized in the interest of this Church, and has in view the work which our Lord has given us to do, it is hoped that it will find favor and abundant encouragement among all the members of the congregation.

9. Trinity Chapel.

THE REV. WILLIAM H. NELSON, JR., in charge of the Chapel, has been very devoted and zealous in his ministrations to the people there. His labors seem to be meeting with great success. He makes the following report of the work done at the Chapel:

The divine blessing has rested upon the Chapel during the past year. Notwithstanding the discouragement caused by the late terrible epidemic, with which no less than thirty-one families connected with the Chapel have been afflicted, the various departments of the work have prospered.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL is in good condition, although not so large as it would have been could the teachers have safely visited the absent scholars. The great difficulty we have experienced here has been the inability to procure a sufficient number of teachers regular and punctual in their attendance.

THE SEWING SCHOOL has done admirably. The burden of the work has fallen, however, chiefly upon a few persons, in consequence of the deficiency of teachers.

THE NIGHT SCHOOL has also prospered. It was thought best this year to make the religious exercises more distinctive in their character, in consequence of which many Romish boys have been kept away, tending to reduce the average number of pupils. After the names upon the books had reached a certain figure admission was granted only to Protestants. There have been connected with the school, for a longer or shorter time within the past year, 211 boys. 111 names have been upon the roll at one time, the average attendance being about 65. We would sincerely thank our kind friends who have hitherto aided us in the support of this school, and we would remind all who are interested in its progress that, while every cent of indebtedness has been paid, the treasury is nearly empty, and much assistance will be needed before recommencing the work in the autumn.

THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S ASSOCIATION has kept up its meetings with increasing interest during the year. Devotional meetings have been held under its auspices on Sunday afternoons throughout the winter, and cottage meetings during the week. A Course of Lectures has also been delivered by prominent clergymen and laymen, most of which were free to the members of the congregation, while others were admitted at a moderate charge. Rev. Philips Brooks preached before the Association on the evening of April 21st, on which occasion a collection was taken up in its behalf. The proceeds of this collection, and of the Lecture Course, constitute a fund upon which the Association may draw for the supply of its various needs. Of this sum \$150 has just been appropriated for the increase of the library.

THE MOTHERS' MEETING now meets under the Chapel roof. It has been very successful in its operation during the past year, and has acquired so much of a missionary character that it has assumed the name of the "Bible Class Missionary Society of Trinity Chapel." It contains 50 members. They invested in the Coal Fund during the last summer, \$208, and their donations in sewing to the Church Home and Children's Hospital amounted to \$35.00.

ANOTHER ASSOCIATION has been formed from the female members of the congregation, having for its object the aid of our missionaries in the far West, by the preparation of boxes of clothing and other necessary articles to be forwarded to meet their need. This Association is known as the "Missionary Aid Society." The total contributions received at and through the Chapel amount to \$2029.50.

THE REV. JOSEPH L. MILLER, the assistant minister of the Church, has made himself very useful in various ways, but especially by his visits among the poor of the Parish. He is ready at all times to do any service for the several Bible Classes and Schools connected with the Church.

UNDER the head of Contributions will be found the names of several Institutions for which regular collections are not made in the Church, but which are commended to the continued and enlarged liberality of the members of the Congregation. These Institutions are *The Church Home for Children*, *The Lincoln Institution for Boys*, *The Educational Home for Boys*, and *The Day Nursery for Children*. These charities are well known to most of our people, and deserve a liberal support. *The Children's Hospital*, in Twenty-second street below Walnut, is also doing great good in its special sphere, and should be remembered by our cheerful givers.

A LIBERAL amount has been subscribed by the members of our congregation toward the erection of the School Building of the Church of the Holy Apostles, corner of Twenty-first and Christian streets, and will be paid in this summer, and be included in our Report next year.

THE MUSIC COMMITTEE OF THE CHURCH, under the authority of the Vestry, and in connection with Mr. Darley, the Organist, have contracted with the Messrs. Standbridge Brothers, for the rebuilding and enlargement of the Organ. They have assumed the responsibility of raising the necessary funds for the work; and while a few persons have contributed liberally to the object, there is still wanted over \$1500 to carry forward the intended alterations and improvements to completion.

THE MUSIC COMMITTEE commend this matter to the favor of those who are interested in the music of the Church. The sum raised for this purpose will be included in next year's Report.

IN CLOSING our Report, we would say, in behalf of the laborer's in this part of the Lord's vineyard, that they have had many hindrances and disadvantages to contend with during the past year, but they are grateful to the author of all good for what He has permitted them to do, and they pray for a larger faith, and a more lively zeal, to enable them to be more faithful and untiring in the future in every good word and work.

LEMUEL COFFIN,
JOHN BOHLEN,
WILLIAM P. CRESSON,
LEWIS H. REDNER,
CHARLES GIBBONS,

Committee.

In connection with the foregoing report, I present to the congregation the usual statement of Services and Contributions of the Parish, for the year ending May 1, 1872.

	At the Church.	At the Chapel.	Total.
Infant Baptisms,	21	30	51
Adult Baptisms,	5	3	8
Confirmations,	16	30	46
Marriages,	5	3	8
Burials,	22	22	44

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Reported by the Parish Association,	\$3,054.75
Communion Alms,	1,811.02
City Missions,	1,107.86
Diocesan Missions,	436.31
Domestic Missions,	979.77
Indian Hope Mission,	544.00
Foreign Missions,	2,077.52
Reform Movement in Mexico,	300.00
Church Home for Children,	3,117.52
Lincoln Institution for Boys,	2,525.00
Educational Home for Boys,	5,750.00
Episcopal Hospital,	700.00
Day Nursery for Children,	400.00
Christmas Fund for Disabled Clergymen,	220.00
Promotion of Christianity among the Jews,	150.00
Distribution of Bibles and Prayer Books,	125.00
Theological Education,	870.26
Episcopal and Convention Fund,	350.00
Chicago Relief Fund,	1,105.55
Support of Trinity Chapel,	2,204.62
Support of the Sunday Schools and Bible Classes of the Parish,	835.69
Collections and Contributions at the Chapel,	2,029.50
Miscellaneous,	917.80
Total Amount of Contributions,	\$31,612.17
Pew Rents received,	14,830.50
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	\$46,442.67

THOMAS A. JAGGAR,

Rector.

PHILADELPHIA, May 31, 1872.

Church of the Holy Trinity,

PHILADELPHIA.

SATURDAY, MAY 31st, 1873.

THE PARISH ASSOCIATION of the Church of the Holy Trinity makes the following Report of the work of the Church and the Chapel for the year ending May 1st, 1873.

I.

Sunday Schools.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BIBLE CLASSES of the Church and the Chapel make the following exhibit:

CHURCH.

MAIN SCHOOL,	41 Teachers.	306 Scholars.
INFANT SCHOOL,	3 " .	180 "
COLORED SCHOOL,	28 "	220 "
BIBLE CLASSES,	4 "	175 "
	<hr/> 76 "	<hr/> 881 "

CHAPEL.

MAIN SCHOOL,	44 Teachers.	315 Scholars.
INFANT SCHOOL,	3 "	200 "
BIBLE CLASSES,	3 "	107 "
	<hr/> 50 "	<hr/> 622 "

Total, 126 Teachers and Officers, and 1503 Scholars.

Making the whole number of teachers and scholars connected with the Sunday Schools and Bible Classes of the Church and the

Chapel, 1629. Of these about 150 attend both schools. Christmas festivals were given to the children at the Church and at the Chapel. Exhibitions of the Stereopticon were given to the white schools, and a special entertainment by Signor Blitz to the colored school and their friends. A Stereopticon Exhibition was given by Professor Willard, at Horticultural Hall, on the evening of the 29th of April, to which all the Scholars of the different Schools and Bible Classes and the parents were invited. The exhibition was beautiful and instructive, and afforded great pleasure to the large audience, which numbered over 2100 persons. The expenses of these exhibitions and festivals amounting to \$600, were contributed by a few friends of the schools.

In addition to the Sunday Bible Classes, the Rector has established an adult Bible Class, which meets on Tuesdays during six months of the year, and is well attended and gives promise of great good. While the aggregate of teachers and scholars is about the same as last year, the attendance has been larger and more regular. The Colored School has increased considerably, and if teachers can be had, it will grow still larger. Much interest has been manifested by the members of our various Bible Classes, and the improvement both in attendance and attention, has been quite marked. A large number of the candidates confirmed this spring, came from these classes and the Sunday Schools.

The Missionary offerings of this department amounted to \$825.

II.

Sewing Schools.

The CHURCH SEWING SCHOOL reports :

21 Teachers, 193 Scholars.

391 pieces of work were made and distributed, and four patch work quilts were made and presented to the Church Home for Children.

The expenses, including festival, \$78.89.

The CHAPEL SEWING SCHOOL reports :

19 Teachers, 255 Scholars.

415 pieces of work were made and distributed, and two patch work quilts were made and presented to the Church Home.

The expenses, including festival and prizes, \$106.56.

Total for both Schools, 40 Teachers and 448 Scholars. These Schools meet every Saturday morning for a period of about six months, from Fall to Spring.

III.

Night Schools.

THE NIGHT SCHOOL FOR GIRLS at the Church was open twice a week, for a period of five months, under the charge of the two efficient teachers who taught the school the previous year.

The school was attended by 50 young women, whose ages ranged from fourteen to thirty years. The teachers report that admission was granted only to those who showed a sincere desire to learn and would promise to attend regularly throughout the term. Each scholar forfeited her place if absent two consecutive evenings without a satisfactory excuse. The pupils had previously enjoyed but few educational advantages. Many of them seemed to realize for the first time that the development and cultivation of their mental powers would be a source of happiness to them in the monotonous round of their daily mechanical labor. They have shown their appreciation of the privileges granted them by working diligently and patiently at the tasks assigned them, and by coming to school during the most inclement weather. The school can be increased, but it would require more teachers and more money to carry it on. That the additional outlay would prove to be a judicious expenditure can hardly admit of a doubt, and it is well worthy the consideration of the Association.

The whole expense of teachers and stationery amounted to \$191.01.

THE NIGHT SCHOOL FOR BOYS is especially alluded to in the report of the work carried on at Trinity Chapel.

IV.

Dorcas Society.

THE DORCAS SOCIETY of the Church has been aided by several faithful and energetic ladies of the Congregation, and submits the following statement of its work:

Balance on hand from last year,	\$ 98.00
Received from Subscriptions,	796 00
Received from sales of Garments,	112.86
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	\$1,006.86
Paid for Materials,	\$455.77
Paid for Sewing,	186.42
Paid for Shoes,	90.71
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	732.90
Balance on hand,	<hr/>
	\$273.96
Number of garments sold at cost of Materials,	180
Number of garments given away, including 68 to the Church of the Crucifixion, 72 to the Church of the Holy Apostles, and 49 to the Episcopal Hospital,	543
Number of garments remaining on hand for distribution,	354
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	1077
Pairs of Shoes given away,	52

V.

Ladies' Missionary Society.

This Society met as usual, during the Lenten season, and reports:

Subscriptions received,	\$596.00
Paid for Materials,	524.69
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Balance on hand,	\$ 71.31

In addition to the cash subscriptions, liberal donations of garments were received. Three boxes of clothing were sent to clergymen in Central Pennsylvania, one to Virginia, and one to Georgia.

VI.

Parish Library.

THE PARISH LIBRARY still continues open every Saturday Afternoon, except during the summer months. A few new books have been added the past year, and if the appeal of the Librarian meets with favor, larger additions will be made the coming year. It is not too much to say that the composition of this Library, both as regards its theological and secular character, is remarkably good. Considering the number of books it contains, there are few Libraries of the kind equal to it, and the books are so well selected, that it only needs to be known to be appreciated and more generally used.

VII.

Trinity Chapel.

THE REV. WILLIAM H. NEILSON, JR. the devoted and efficient Minister in charge of the Chapel, has carried on his work with great success, and makes the following report:

Trinity Chapel, by the divine blessing, has prospered during the past year. The services have been well attended and a spirit of deep interest has prevailed. The average attendance at the week-day services has been larger than at any time during the three previous

years. The condition of the various departments of the work is also encouraging.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL at our recent Anniversary numbered 50 Teachers and 622 Scholars. Of this number we have just lost 60 Scholars by the removal of the Church Home to Angora, but we hope soon by a vigorous effort to fill the vacant places.

THE SEWING SCHOOL presented a very favorable appearance at the Closing Exercises held a few days ago. The benches were filled with a group of neatly-dressed happy children, who responded heartily during the service, and sang very sweetly and with much spirit. This School numbers 255 Scholars and 19 Teachers. Double the usual amount of work was done by the School during the past year.

THE NIGHT SCHOOL is a very important part of our Chapel machinery. During the past year we have had 111 names on our rolls, and an average attendance of about 70 boys. This is a work of the truest charity. These boys are busy during the day earning a livelihood and prove their sincere desire for instruction by coming, after the fatigue of manual labor, to school. The teaching we give them, although of course principally secular, is also religious. The Creed, the Lord's Prayer, texts of Scripture and Sunday School Hymns are memorized. The session every evening is opened and closed with Devotional Exercises. The Annual Closing, which has just taken place, was the most successful we have ever had. The boys were admirably drilled, the declamations and singing were excellent and the order preserved was perfect. Hitherto the advantages of our School have been offered without distinction to as many as we could accommodate. Of the number under instruction during the past year, one-third were members of our own Sunday School, one-third from other Protestant denominations and the remainder were Romanists. The question has been proposed whether it is advisable to make provision at so great an expense for those who are fortified, by home influence and church training, against the inculcation of evangelical truth, while other provision is already made for them by the State. It is true that much is accomplished if only one soul is rescued from these depraving influences, but it is to be considered whether the same amount of expenditure would not effect a larger result if bestowed in another direction. This School is supported entirely by voluntary contributions. The term begins in the month of October and closes early in May.

The MOTHERS MEETING has become a Missionary organization under the name of the "Bible Class Missionary Society," and numbers

60 members, with an average attendance of more than one-half. Meetings for study and work are held every week. The course of reading has been of such a character as to instruct as well as interest. The topic during the past year has been the History of the Reformation in England. The members invested in the Coal Fund, during the past summer \$244, which was paid into the Fuel Savings Society, thus giving them their coal at reduced prices. Donations in sewing have been made to the Episcopal Hospital and Church Home to the amount of \$31.

THE MISSIONARY AID SOCIETY. This society was formed a year ago for the purpose of sending donations in clothing, groceries, etc., to our Missionaries in the West. Its operations are carried on during the Summer, the work being done in the homes of the members when the weather is too warm for a general gathering in one of the rooms of the Chapel. During the intense heat of last Summer the society worked faithfully and the result was a box of clothing, etc., valued at \$180 sent in the Autumn to a former Pastor of the Chapel, now a missionary in Kansas. The society is about preparing for a second box to be sent to another of these self-denying laborers in our Western fields and we predict for them, by God's blessing, an equal measure of success.

THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S ASSOCIATION. This Association has just completed its second year, and has so far, we think, accomplished all that was expected of it. It has brought together the young people of the congregation, and has quickened within them a new interest in the common work. It has afforded them elevating and profitable amusement, thus illustrating the fact that the Gospel sanctifies and thus intensifies, rather than condemns the innocent joys of earth. The point is of sufficient importance, especially in dealing with the young of this generation, to alone warrant the founding of this Society. It has also pointed out opportunities to those who had willing hearts to work for Christ. Last year we were unable to arrange for a course of Lectures, such as we were favored with during the preceding winter, but the regular monthly meetings were held, at which recitations and readings, as well as selections in vocal and instrumental music, were given by the members and by friends, who were kind enough to aid us. It is hoped that next year the Committee will be able to announce several Lectures on scientific or historical subjects for, at least, the winter months. Of this Association, the Pastor is *ex-officio* President.

Such is a brief description of our Chapel Machinery. It is needless to say that it will fail of its object, unless it tends to the promotion of that church-life, which is founded upon union by faith with our Divine Lord—unless it tends to bring the sinner to that Sin-atonement Saviour, and to increase in the believer a conformity to the likeness of that precious Friend; that it will be powerless, unless the Holy Spirit shall be the mighty agency to set it in motion. May He be pleased to bless it to the glory of our Redeemer's name, and the extension of His kingdom! Amen.

The total amount of contributions received at and through the Chapel, was \$2,230.51.

THE WORK OF THE CHAPEL is capable of great enlargement, and it will be proper for us soon to consider whether this can be accomplished in the present building or whether a wise regard to the growing demands of the neighborhood ought not to lead us to the removal of the Congregation to a more commodious and attractive edifice.

THE REV. JOSEPH L. MILLER, the assistant minister of the Church, continues his faithful labors, and aids the Rector in visiting the poor, and in some of the departments of our Church work. It may be well for those requiring his services, to know that he is to be found at the Vestry Room, every morning after 9 o'clock.

It will gratify the contributors to the Building Fund of the Church of the Holy Apostles, corner of 21st and Christian Streets, to know that the School Building has been completed and furnished, and is now occupied by large and flourishing Schools and Bible Classes. It is one of the best planned buildings in our city for the purposes for which it is used. The whole enterprise of this new Church and School, has been most successful. It is referred to here because the large proportion of contributions towards it, from members of our congregation, makes it of peculiar interest to us.

THE MUSIC COMMITTEE of the Church take pleasure in stating that the rebuilding and enlargement of the organ has been completed. The instrument is now a very valuable one—probably the largest in the City—and could not now be built for less than \$15,000. It has a very large variety of stops with great fulness and beauty of tone. The entire cost has been borne by a few persons, without any expense to the Church.

UNDER the head of Contributions will be found, as usual, the collections and subscriptions made for various Church objects and Institutions. These are all commended to the continued favor of those who are disposed to remember their stewardship, and who are not willing to withhold their aid from any good work which calls for their support. This list of course includes only a limited amount of the benefactions of the members of this Congregation.

It affords us pleasure to note the renewed activity which has been shown the past year in all the departments of our Church work. The laborers have been more numerous, the zeal more earnest, and we are encouraged to hope that these evidences of spiritual life may abound more and more to the glory of God and the advancement of His cause among men.

LEMUEL COFFIN,
JOHN BOHLEN,
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LEWIS H. REDNER,

Committee.

THOMAS A. JAGGAR,

Rector.

In connection with the foregoing report, I present to the congregation the usual statement of Services and Contributions of the Parish for the year ending May 1, 1873.

	At the Church.	At the Chapel.	Total.
Infant Baptisms,	17	37	54
Adult Baptisms,	6	10	16
Confirmations,	27	19	46
Marriages,	9	6	15
Burials,	36	13	49

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Reported by the Parish Association,	\$3,306.32
Communion Alms,	2,376.13
City Missions,	1,209.89
Diocesan Missions,	544.21
Domestic Missions,	812.62
Indian Hope Mission,	421.60
Mexican Mission,	200.00
Foreign Missions,	3,508.11
Church Home for Children,	4,957.26
Lincoln Institution for Boys,	213.00
Educational Home for Boys,	1,780.00
Episcopal Hospital,	851.04
Christmas Fund for Disabled Clergymen,	210.00
Promotion of Christianity among the Jews,	150.00
Distribution of Bibles and Prayer Books,	100.56
Theological Education,	608.88
Episcopal and Convention Fund,	350.00
Church of the Holy Apostles toward School Building,	5,000.00
Support of Trinity Chapel,	2,199.77
Support of the Sunday Schools and Bible Classes of the Parish,	651.86
Re-building and Enlargement of the Organ,	6,500.00
Collections and Subscriptions at the Chapel,	2,230.51
Miscellaneous,	850.00
Total amount of Contributions,	\$39,031.76

Pew Rents received,	15,226.25
	<u>\$54,258.01</u>

THOMAS A. JAGGAR,

Rector.

PHILADELPHIA, May 31, 1873.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

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OF THE

CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY

PHILADELPHIA.

Presented at the Annual Meeting, May 30, 1874.

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SATURDAY, MAY 30, 1874.

THE PARISH ASSOCIATION of the Church of the Holy Trinity makes the following report of the work of the Church and the Chapel for the year ending May 1, 1874:

I.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BIBLE CLASSES of the Church and the Chapel make the following exhibit:

CHURCH.

MAIN SCHOOL	40 Teachers.	308 Scholars.
INFANT SCHOOL	3 "	145 "
COLORED SCHOOL	36 "	257 "
BIBLE CLASSES	5 "	210 "
	84	920

CHAPEL.

MAIN SCHOOL,	47 Teachers.	302 Scholars.
INFANT SCHOOL	3 "	146 "
BIBLE CLASSES	3 "	135 "
	53	583

Total, 137 Teachers and Officers, and 1,503 Scholars.

Making the whole number of teachers and scholars connected with the Sunday School and Bible Classes 1,640. Of these, 150

attend both schools. Christmas festivals were given to the children at the Church and the Chapel. Other exhibitions and entertainments of a suitable character were given during the winter and spring. A reception was given to the members of the adult Bible Classes at the Church rooms. It was a very pleasant occasion, and afforded much happiness to the participants. About two hundred and fifty men and women were present; and after singing, and short addresses by the Rector, the Rev. Mr. Edwards, and the Rev. Phillips Brooks, all partook of the refreshments prepared for them by their teachers and friends. The expenses of these various festivals, exhibitions, and receptions, amounted to nearly \$700, contributed by those interested in the schools and classes.

The attendance of the teachers and scholars has been very good, much larger than the previous year. The Young Ladies' Bible Class has been re-organized, and is now in charge of an experienced and excellent teacher. All the Bible Classes are doing well, and the Young Women's Afternoon Class has been unusually successful. The Colored School is steadily increasing in numbers and interest. The schools and classes were largely represented in the Confirmation Class this Spring.

The Missionary offerings for the year amounted to \$600, not so large as they should be, and we think more active measures should be adopted to increase the interest and offerings of the Scholars.

II.

SEWING SCHOOLS.

THE CHURCH SEWING SCHOOL reports:

23 Teachers, 220 Scholars.

286 pieces of work were made, and one patch-work quilt was presented to the Church Home.

The amount subscribed for the support of the School was \$106.50, and the expenses, including festival, were \$95.97.

THE CHAPEL SEWING SCHOOL reports:

19 Teachers, 180 Scholars.

331 pieces of work were made and distributed to the children, and three patch-work quilts were given to a Hospital and the Home for Infants.

The expenses for materials and the festival were \$72.07.

Total for both Schools, 42 Teachers and 400 Scholars. These Schools are under efficient management, and are in session about six months, meeting every Saturday morning, from November 1st to May 1st.

III.

NIGHT SCHOOLS.

THE NIGHT SCHOOL FOR GIRLS at the Church has been kept open twice a week for a period of five months, under the instruction of the two efficient teachers who have served us so well during the past two or three years.

The teachers report as follows: The first week 50 young women were admitted, all that could be accommodated. With few exceptions, they remained until the close of the term. When any left, their places were filled with waiting applicants. The school is composed principally of young women who have reached the age of twenty years; some are past thirty. The larger number of them, on entering the School, can scarcely read or write.

Their faithful attendance on cold and stormy nights, after working all day, and the delight with which they study, is sufficient guarantee that they appreciate the advantages so generously offered by the Parish.

Among the Night Schools provided by the Board of Public Education, there are but few for girls, and these are out of the reach of this and neighboring Parishes. If, therefore, this School was not opened to them, those who have been so much benefited from year to year would have no means of receiving instruction.

The whole expense of the School amounted to \$178.26.

THE NIGHT SCHOOL FOR BOYS at the Chapel has been discontinued, for the reasons stated under the head of Trinity Chapel.

IV.

DORCAS SOCIETY.

THE DORCAS SOCIETY of the Church has been well managed by the ladies of the congregation, and it is gratifying to speak of the increased attendance of energetic workers.

The following report is made:

Balance on hand from last year	\$273 96
Received from Subscriptions and Bequests	855 00
Received from sales of Garments	202 70
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Paid for Materials	\$574 29
Paid for Sewing	289 25
Paid for Shoes	185 42
Donations to feeble Churches and Individuals	230 00
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	1,278 96
Balance on hand	<hr/>
	\$52 70

Number of garments sold at cost of materials	290
Number of garments given away	774
Number of garments remaining on hand	312
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	1,376
Pairs of Shoes given away	<hr/>
	111

Garments given away as follows:

To Episcopal Hospital	113
" City Mission	43
" Church of the Holy Apostles	53
" Church of the Holy Innocents	26
" Children and others connected with the Church and Chapel	539
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	774

V.

LADIES' MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

THIS SOCIETY met as usual during the Lenten season, and has been encouraged by additional workers, who have manifested

great interest in the matter of helping our needy Missionaries.

The Society reports:

Balance from 1873 and interest thereon	\$74 79
Subscriptions received	640 00
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	\$714 79
Paid for materials	705 68
	<hr/>
Balance on hand	\$89 11

Besides the cash subscriptions, liberal donations of clothing and materials were received. Eight boxes of clothing, valued at over one thousand dollars, were sent to Clergymen in Central Pennsylvania, West Virginia, and Iowa. Grateful letters of acknowledgment have been received from the persons to whom these boxes were sent.

VI.

PARISH LIBRARY.

THE PARISH LIBRARY at the Church has been open every Saturday afternoon since October—\$197 having been contributed for its support and enlargement. It contains about 1,500 volumes of standard literature, and we aim to keep it supplied with the latest works. We again commend it to the liberal use of the congregation.

THE CHAPEL LIBRARY contains over 1,000 volumes.

VII.

DISTRICT VISITING.

THE DISTRICT VISITORS were appointed late in the season, but were able to make a large number of visits. This part of our work will be more vigorously entered upon early in the next season, and no doubt with good results.

TRINITY CHAPEL.

SINCE the presentation of the last Annual Report, the Rev. William H. Neilson, Jr., the faithful and devoted Minister of the Chapel, has resigned his charge, and accepted a call to St. Michael's Church, Trenton, N. J. His ministrations at Trinity Chapel were greatly blessed, and he endeared himself to the whole Congregation.

The following minute from the records of the Vestry shows how fully he was appreciated :

PHILADELPHIA, OCT. 14, 1873.

REV. AND DEAR SIR :

At the first meeting of the Vestry of the Church of the Holy Trinity, held after your resignation of the office of its Assistant Minister, having charge of Trinity Chapel, we were appointed to express to you, on behalf of the Vestry, the deep and sincere feelings of regret they had in accepting your resignation.

You well know how we, the undersigned, endeavored to induce you to remain with us. And now after you have felt constrained to accept another position, we feel embarrassed in expressing the sense entertained not only by ourselves, but by the entire Vestry, of your faithful and most acceptable services at Trinity Chapel,—your pulpit services, your faithful preaching of "the truth as it is in Jesus," your Parish labors, your work in the Night School, your brave and earnest work in the neighborhood, in the face of disease, and your whole conduct as a faithful minister of our dear Lord. We can only in parting, commend you to Him for protection and guidance, and most sincerely trust that you may be blessed personally and in your work. We congratulate the Parish where you are ministering, and hope that you may there win many souls to Christ.

On behalf of the Vestry and for ourselves, we are

Sincerely and affectionately yours,

JOHN BOHLEN,
LEMUEL COFFIN,

Church Wardens.

REV. WM. H. NEILSON, Jr.

THE REV. CLEMENT M. BUTLER, D.D., supplied the pulpit with great satisfaction until the month of February, when the Rev. Robert A. Edwards, Rector of Grace Church, Mt. Airy, accepted a call to the Chapel, and entered upon his duties on the first Sunday in March. Mr. Edwards has brought great energy to the work. The congregations are large, and the machinery works smoothly and efficiently. The welcome service given him shortly after his arrival, and the deep regret with which his

first and only Parish parted with him, after a ministry of nearly eight years, testify to his worth, and the people of his new charge are anxious to sustain him in his work which is soon to be so greatly enlarged.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BIBLE CLASSES are in a most flourishing condition, and on the Anniversary Sunday in May, our accommodations were too small for the crowd of children and young people and adult members in attendance. The number of Teachers and Scholars make an aggregate of 636. It is encouraging when we consider that several new schools have been opened the last few years in the southwestern part of the city, and that 60 of the children of the Church Home have been removed to their new building at Angora. The sweet voices of the Home children are missed in the worship of the Chapel, but the music is still simple and hearty, and the singing entirely congregational.

THE NIGHT SCHOOL FOR BOYS was discontinued last season on account of the great advantages offered by the Public Schools, and it was considered injudicious to continue it at so heavy an expense. The Night School at the Chapel was commenced several years ago, when no such provision was made by the city. It proved a great blessing to the neighborhood, and the scholars not only received useful knowledge, but were instructed in the precepts of our Holy Religion.

THE MISSIONARY AID SOCIETY worked with its usual vigor during the whole season. A box of New Clothing and household stores to the value of \$200, for one of our self-denying Missionaries in the extreme Northwest, on the line of the North Pacific Railroad, was part of the work of the Society.

The following extract from a letter received from the wife of the Missionary, tells how deeply the box was appreciated :

"It was the coldest day of the season, mercury standing only one degree above zero, with a sharp north wind, which had been blowing a gale for the past 12 hours, and yet, at the Mission House, at Detroit Lake, we had one of the warmest and sunniest of mornings. Though water was freezing close by the stove in my airy log kitchen, the harsh voice and stinging lash of old Boreas appeared to be quite powerless to hush the joyful uproar of our little folks, or to break the spell of grateful interest which had taken possession of the minds of their parents. I need not tell you this remarkable state of things existed because we had just received the box."

The Missionary Aid Society also contributed to the Evangelical Education Society, the Franklin Reformatory Home, and other laudable objects.

THE BIBLE CLASS MISSIONARY SOCIETY met one evening every week during the winter, and while their minds were interested in profitable reading, their industrious hands were active in the manufacture of more than one hundred garments which were donated to the Foster Home and the Children's Hospital of our own city. The deposit in the "Coal Fund" for the benefit of the members of the Society, amounted to \$244.25.

THE SEWING SCHOOL, under its faithful Superintendent and corps of Teachers, flourished greatly during the whole season. The closing exercises took place on Saturday morning, April 25th, and, although the rain poured in torrents, nearly 200 children were present.

The School presented a handsome quilt to the Children's Hospital in the Parish of the Good Shepherd, at Radnor, and two to the Home for Infants, in West Philadelphia.

Addresses were delivered by Rev. Dr. Hay, of the Church of the Good Shepherd, and by Rev. Mr. Edwards. Gifts were distributed, and the occasion was a most joyous one.

We have great cause for gratitude to Almighty God for the prosperity of the Chapel during the past year. The collections have decreased somewhat, because there was no regular Pastor in charge during the entire winter, to bring before the congregation the usual works of Christian beneficence; but the work has been steady; the people are fully alive to their duty, and, from the great interest manifested, we feel sure that the future of the Chapel will be one of activity and usefulness.

RESIGNATION OF MR. MILLER.

THE REV. JOSEPH L. MILLER, the late Assistant Minister of the Church, accepted a call to the Rectorship of St. James' Church, Woonsocket, R. I., and entered upon his new duties early in January.

The following minute in relation to him was adopted by the Vestry:

PHILADELPHIA, JANUARY 10, 1874.

REV. JOSEPH L. MILLER, Woonsocket, R. I.:

Rev. and Dear Sir:—At a meeting of the Vestry of the Church of the Holy Trinity, held on Monday last, your resignation as Assistant Minister was presented and read to the Vestry. While accepting it, they at the same time di-

rected us to communicate to you an expression of their feelings of regret at the severance of their official connection with you, and their warm personal regard for you. It has indeed been a peculiarly pleasant connection, and during its continuance, the feelings of personal regret and regard for you have continually increased, and the work for our Master which you have done in this Parish, has won for you yet deeper and stronger feelings of attachment. Most cordially do we wish for you all happiness, and that in the blessed career before you as a Minister of the Gospel, the great Head of the Church may give you abundant success and make you His instrument in winning many souls to Him.

We remain, Rev. and Dear Sir, sincerely yours,

JOHN BOHLEN,
LEMUEL COFFIN,

Church Wardens.

DEATH OF MR. BOHLEN.

OUR CHURCH has met with a sad loss this year in the death of Mr. John Bohlen. Gloom fell upon every heart when the tidings came, on the morning of the last Sunday in April, when the congregation was assembled in the Sanctuary he so much loved, that we should see his face no more. He was identified with the Church from its foundation,—for many years the Rector's Warden, the faithful teacher of the Young Men's Bible Class, and actively interested in every scheme which had for its aim the glory of the Lord whom he loved. He died as he lived, joyful through hope, and those who ministered to him in his last hours, felt when he breathed his last, that "mortality was swallowed up of life."

The following resolutions were adopted by the Vestry, and are the sincere expression of their appreciation of Mr. Bohlen's character, and their grief at his loss.

At a meeting of the Vestry of the Church of the Holy Trinity, held on the evening of the 27th inst., the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God in His wise providence to remove from our midst, Mr. John Bohlen, one of the founders of this Church, a member of the Vestry, and Rector's Warden, therefore,

Resolved, That we record our deep sense of the loss which this Church and we, his colleagues in the Vestry, have thereby sustained. He was a kind friend, a wise counsellor, a liberal and conscientious giver, a devout Christian and a valued co-worker in every movement which tended to advance the interests of the Church with which he had been so long and usefully identified, and the glory of the Saviour whom he loved. While we feel sure that our loss is his eternal gain, we shall sadly miss his genial presence in our meetings, his fervent voice in the

worship of the Sanctuary, and his zealous care for the young men of the Bible Class whom he taught so faithfully. We shall think of his consecrated manhood as an example worthy to be followed, and associate him in our memories with those blessed ones who, having "finished their course in faith, do now rest from their labors."

Resolved, That we sincerely sympathize with the widow and children of our departed friend, his sister, and the other members of his bereaved household, commending them to the "God of patience and of consolation," who has promised to be the "Father of the fatherless," and "the widow's God."

Resolved, That we will attend the funeral in a body, and that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased.

THOMAS A. JAGGAR,
Rector.

THOMAS B. WATTSON,
Secretary.

PHILADELPHIA, April 29, 1874.

THE NEW CHAPEL AND SCHOOL BUILDING.

WE said in our last report, "The work of the Chapel is capable of great enlargement, and it will be proper for us soon to consider whether this can be accomplished in the present building, or whether a wise regard to the growing demands of the neighborhood ought not to lead us to the removal of the congregation to a more commodious and attractive edifice." We have entertained these views for a long time, but have not seen our way clear to begin a new enterprise in this connection until recently.

In the early part of the year, it became known to the Vestry that the Board of Education was desirous of purchasing our present Chapel. After due consideration of the question, the Vestry adopted a resolution authorizing the Church Wardens to sell the present lot and building of Trinity Chapel, at the corner of Twenty-Second and Locust streets, to the City, for School purposes, for the sum of \$22,000. The City, by an ordinance since passed by Councils, has agreed to the purchase, and the deed of sale will soon be prepared and executed.

The Vestry appointed a Building Committee with authority to purchase a new lot, and to erect thereon a new edifice for the Chapel, provided that no new liability should be incurred by the corporation of the Church, and that the new lot and Chapel should

be entirely free of debt within a limited time. While considering the whole matter of location and plans of the new building, the committee were met by a noble and generous offer, made through the Rector, which has been duly accepted by the authorities of the Church. Mrs. Anna H. Wilstach agrees to contribute the sum of \$50,000 to build the Chapel as a memorial of her daughter, Anna Gertrude Wilstach. This young lady, who was confirmed in our Church in the spring of 1873, was a person of lovely character, and gave promise of great usefulness; but her Heavenly Father soon afterwards called her to Himself, and her mother desires to make this loving tribute to her memory. The Chapel will be an attractive building, with 700 or more sittings. It will be known as *Holy Trinity Memorial Chapel*.

The School Building will be entirely separate, and will have large accommodations for the Sunday Schools and Bible Classes and other work of the Chapel. It will be a Memorial of John Bohlen, the late Rector's Warden, and will be erected by his sister and his attached friend and co-worker of many years in the Church, who unite in this tribute of affection to his memory. It will cost between \$20,000 and \$25,000, and will be known as *Holy Trinity Memorial School Building*.

The Lot secured for the location of these buildings, is on the southwest corner of Twenty-Second and Spruce streets, having a large front on each street. In addition to the money coming from the City for the present Chapel, more than \$12,000 have been subscribed towards the payment of the new lot and other expenses, and it is not doubted that the remaining \$15,000 required will be cheerfully contributed by those in the congregation who may be called upon for the purpose.

The new Chapel and School Building will be a centre of very active Church work, where rich and poor can worship together, and will, we trust, enlist the liberal and active sympathies of the parent Church.

The work will be commenced in a few weeks, and both buildings will probably be completed and ready for occupancy in the spring of 1875.

CONCLUDING REMARKS BY THE RECTOR.

WE have reason to thank God, as we close the record of another year's work, for the many tokens of His grace and presence which have attended our labors. We should realize, however, far richer blessings if all who call themselves Christians were more entirely consecrated to the service of their Lord. Death has been very busy in our midst, and has taken away some persons of great prominence and usefulness in the community; not only Mr. Bohlen, but Mr. Joseph Harrison, Jr., a liberal supporter of this Church, from its foundation, and others. These dispensations warn us to "work while it is called to-day, because the night cometh in which no man can work." We have the reputation of being a working Church; but the number of those who take an active interest in our various departments of service is small compared with the large body of communicants who profess to have presented themselves, "their souls and bodies, a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto God." We are also reckoned liberal as a congregation, but there is one feature of our Missionary and other collections for charitable purposes, which does not indicate a healthy condition. A few persons give largely and systematically, while the many do not contribute in any fair proportion to their ability. This ought not so to be. Every member of the Church ought to realize his responsibility, and be alive and zealously affected towards every good cause that may be presented.

We want not only spasmodic gifts, but such a hearty interest in all that pertains to the building up of Christ's kingdom, that no urgent appeals shall be necessary to secure a liberal response whenever a need is mentioned. "And now, Brethren, we commend you to God and the word of His Grace, which is able to build you up and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified."

LEMUEL COFFIN,
ALEXANDER BROWN,
WILLIAM P. CRESSON,
LEWIS H. REDNER,

Committee.

THOMAS A. JAGGAR,
Rector.

In connection with the foregoing report, I present to the congregation the usual statement of Services and Contributions of the Parish for the past year:

	At the Church.	At the Chapel.	Total.
Infant Baptisms	24	21	45
Adult Baptisms	13	3	16
Confirmations	41	15	56
Marriages	13	3	16
Burials	38	16	54

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Reported by the Parish Association	\$3,548 83
Communion Alms	2,083 25
City Missions	1,060 00
Diocesan Missions	479 83
Domestic Missions	933 32
Indian Hope Mission	235 00
Foreign Missions	1,857 72
Church Home for Children	1,390 00
Lincoln Institution for Boys	360 00
Educational Home for Boys	953 00
Episcopal Hospital	887 65
Christmas Fund for Disabled Clergymen	225 00
Promotion of Christianity among the Jews	144 00
Distribution of Bibles and Prayer Books	167 45
Theological Education	423 85
Episcopal and Convention Fund	350 00
Support of Trinity Chapel	1,952 17
Support of the Sunday Schools and Bible Classes of the Parish	515 57
Collections and Subscriptions at the Chapel	1,053 15
Miscellaneous	1,750 00
Total amount of Contributions	\$20,369 79
Pew Rents received	17,755 75
	\$38,125 54

The Contributions of the Parish for the past five years amount to over \$190,000, exclusive of Pew Rents.

THOMAS A. JAGGAR,
Rector.

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MONDAY, MAY 31, 1875.

THE PARISH ASSOCIATION of the Church of the Holy Trinity presents the following report of the work of the Church and the Chapel, for the year ending May 1, 1875 :

I.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BIBLE CLASSES of the Parish make the following exhibit :

CHURCH.

MAIN SCHOOL.....	39 Teachers.	302 Scholars.
INFANT SCHOOL.....	3 " "	151 "
COLORED SCHOOL.....	37 " "	275 "
BIBLE CLASSES.....	5 " "	223 "

CHAPEL.

MAIN SCHOOL.....	41 Teachers.	300 Scholars.
INFANT SCHOOL.....	2 " "	175 "
BIBLE CLASSES.....	3 " "	145 "

Total, 130 Teachers and Officers, and 1571 Scholars.

Making the whole number of teachers and scholars connected with the Sunday Schools and Bible Classes 1701. Of these, nearly two hundred attend both Schools.

Christmas festivals and exhibitions were given to the Children at the Church and the Chapel which were greatly appreciated, and had a good effect upon all who participated. The expenses of these, amounting to about \$600, were cheerfully contributed by the friends of the Schools.

The attendance of the teachers and scholars has been

quite good, fully up to the average of the past four or five years. The Colored School still continues to grow in numbers and interest. The Bible Classes are generally in a prosperous condition, especially the adult classes, and many of the members of these, and a few of the older scholars of the Sunday Schools, were added to the Church this Spring by the rite of Confirmation.

The Missionary and other offerings have amounted to about \$1000. This increase over previous years is largely owing to the new Missionary organization in reference to which the efficient Treasurer of the Missionary Fund makes the following statement :

At a meeting of the Teachers, held in December last, it was decided to adopt a plan for the more systematic collection and distribution of the offerings of the Sunday Schools and more particularly to impress upon the youth, the great benefits to be derived from regular and systematic giving.

The necessary steps were taken, resulting in the formation of the "*Sunday School Missionary Society of the Church of the Holy Trinity*," embracing all the Sunday Schools and Bible Classes meeting in the Church building. That the organization has been a success is shown by the annexed figures.

Missionary meetings have been held in the Church in which the greatest interest has been manifested.

During the four months from January 1st to April 30th there was collected :

For Missionary purposes.....	\$332 85
For Memorial Windows in the new Memorial School building, in memory of the late John Bohlen.....	203 85
Making a total amount of.....	\$536 70

This amount has been appropriated as follows :

To Miss Brittain, Zenana Mission.....	\$100 00
" Miss Baldwin, Joppa Mission.....	100 00
" Rev. John Bennett, Missouri, for a Sunday School Library..	25 00
" Bishop Vail of Kansas, for Diocesan charity.....	25 00
" The Home for the Homeless of Philadelphia.....	25 00
" The Memorial Windows, as above.....	203 85

Making a total of..a.....	\$478 85
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Leaving a balance on hand of.....	\$57 85
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And in noting the success of this work, we regard not alone the amount contributed but more particularly the lesson taught our young people, "To do good and to distribute forget not, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased."

II.

SEWING SCHOOLS.

THE CHURCH SEWING SCHOOL reports :

28 Teachers, 222 Scholars.

Pieces of work finished, 209 ; and two quilts made and presented to the Church Home.

The amount contributed for the support of the School was \$121, and the expenses, including Festival, \$111.14.

The School was in session every Saturday morning from October to April, and the attendance was unusually large. One of the classes was instructed in dress making, and another in shirt making, and the work of these two classes was excellent. Great proficiency was shown by many of the girls, and the teachers feel very much encouraged.

The devotional exercises of the School were considered an important element, and were engaged in with much earnestness.

THE CHAPEL SEWING SCHOOL reports :

12 Teachers, 120 Scholars ; average attendance 70.

Pieces of work finished, 245 ; besides two quilts, made and given to the Infant's Home.

The amount contributed for the support of the School was \$35, and the expenses, including Festival, \$32.96.

Owing to the disturbed condition of the old Chapel Building, the School met under great disadvantage, which caused a much smaller attendance than in former years.

III.

NIGHT SCHOOL.

THE NIGHT SCHOOLS FOR GIRLS at the Church was in session twice a week for a period of five months, under the instruction of the same two excellent teachers who have had charge of the School for several years. The first week

50 young women, varying in age from 15 to 30 years were admitted. Owing to the severity of the winter, the attendance was not as large and regular as usual. The instruction is necessarily limited to the primary and useful branches of Spelling, Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, and English Grammar. Among the most diligent scholars were the German and French, who came to learn English. This is a most useful department of our Parish work, and should receive such encouragement as will lead to its enlargement.

The expenses of the School amounted to \$175.

IV.

DORCAS SOCIETY.

THE DORCAS SOCIETY of the Church has been energetically and efficiently managed, and the attendance of good workers was most encouraging.

The following report is submitted by the Secretary:

Balance from last year.....	\$ 52 70
Received subscriptions.....	1017 00
Special contributions.....	150 00
Received from Sales of Garments.....	125 63
	<hr/> \$1345 33
Paid for materials.....	667 17
" shoes	300 75
" sewing.....	339 45
	<hr/> 1307 37
Balance on hand.....	\$ 37 96
Number of garments sold at cost of materials.....	298
" " given away.....	788
Remaining on hand.....	397
	<hr/> 1483
Pairs of shoes given away.....	171

To the Children's Hospital 43 garments were donated, and to the Episcopal Hospital 102.

V.

LADIES' MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

THE SOCIETY this year has had more than its usual success.

The meetings were held during the Lenten season, and great interest was felt by the Ladies of the Congregation in this quiet but most useful helper of our deserving but poorly paid Missionaries.

The Treasurer reports:

Balance from 1874.....	\$ 9 11
Collected during the Lenten season.....	875 41
	<hr/> \$884 52

The whole amount was expended for materials. In addition, donations of clothing and goods were received.

Seven boxes of Clothing of the value of \$1200 were sent to Clergymen in this State and in the Western States. In one case \$100, raised by private subscription, was remitted to a very worthy Clergyman laboring in an adjoining Diocese. The recipients of these gifts have given evidence of their grateful appreciation of what has been done for them.

VI.

PARISH LIBRARY.

THE PARISH LIBRARY at the Church was open from October 1, to May 1, and many persons have availed themselves of the use of its well-chosen list of 1500 volumes.

THE CHAPEL LIBRARY containing over 1000 volumes, we trust will be more largely used in its new location.

VII.

DISTRICT VISITING.

THE DISTRICT VISITING the past year has been chiefly done by the teachers of the Adult Bible Classes who have shown much discrimination in bestowing the large special

sums raised during the winter for the poor of the western part of our city. In addition to helping the worthy poor of the Parish, in the payment of their monthly rent, an unusually large distribution of coal was made to those who needed this kind of aid.

VIII.

HOLY TRINITY CHAPEL.

SINCE our last report, the deed of sale to the city of the old building at the corner of Twenty-second and Locust Streets, has been executed, and the amount paid therefor by the City Treasurer has been added to the Building Fund of the New Memorial Buildings and used in partly paying for the new lot at Twenty-second and Spruce Streets, the purchase of which was mentioned in our last report.

The Chapel congregation and Sunday School have had the use of a part of the old building up to the present time, but are now about vacating it altogether, and will take partial possession of the new School Building, until the completion of the new Chapel. The unsettled and transitional condition of the Chapel has interfered very much with its usefulness, although great energy has been shown in some departments of the work there. The Women's Bible Class and the Missionary Society connected with it have manifested a hearty interest in their useful labors under the active leadership of their excellent and efficient teacher. The attendance considering the inclement weather during the winter and spring, was very fair.

Two boxes of clothing valued at \$240 were made and forwarded to two hard-working and faithful Missionaries in the West, and 72 garments were made and presented to the Children's Hospital, and a large quantity of material was made up into clothing for the family of a worthy Missionary of our own city. To the Coal Fund for the benefit of the members of the Society, \$329, was contributed last summer,

which proved to be a blessing fully appreciated during the winter.

It may be truly said that these women have wrought well and should be encouraged in their deeds of charity. Instead of being helped themselves they have helped others.

On the whole, a very good work has been done at the Chapel, and the Rev. Mr. Edwards, the Minister in charge, has reason to be congratulated on the success of his ministrations. This field for the future is very promising, and through the Divine blessing great good will be accomplished there.

IX.

THE NEW MEMORIAL BUILDINGS.

THE CORNER STONES of the Memorial Chapel and School Buildings at Twenty-second and Spruce Streets were laid by Bishop Stevens, on the afternoon of the 30th of September, 1874, when very appropriate addresses were made by the Rector of the Church and the Minister of the Chapel. The work upon these edifices has steadily progressed, but the long and severe winter delays the completion of the buildings until a later period than we anticipated. The School Building is nearly completed and furnished, and the Chapel will be finished and ready for occupancy some time during the Autumn.

There is still needed to pay off the mortgages upon the ground, and to pay for the curbing, paving, drainage, and other incidental expenses, about \$12,500. We have a fair prospect of getting \$5000 of this amount from three or four sources. When the fact is taken into consideration that our congregation is not called upon to contribute anything towards the erection and furnishing of these large and beautiful edifices, we cannot but appeal with confidence to the wealthy and liberal people of our Parish to make up by their

generous and willing contributions the remaining \$7500 required to make this whole enterprise entirely clear of debt.

It is expected that Bishop Jaggar, our late Rector, will, through the courtesy and by the invitation of our own Diocesan, consecrate these buildings about the 1st of November, provided the means can be procured in the meantime to enable us to present them as a free offering to the service of the Triune God. A full description of both buildings will be furnished by the Architect, and appear in our next Report.

X.

RESIGNATION OF THE RECTOR.

The important event of our Parish during the past year has been the resignation of the Rectorship by Rev. Dr. Jaggar, consequent upon his election to, and acceptance of the Bishopric of the Diocese of Southern Ohio. This action is sufficiently explained in the letter of resignation and the Resolutions of the Vestry which are herewith copied. They truly represent the state of feeling on the part of both Rector and people:

To the Wardens and Vestrymen of the Church of the Holy Trinity:

GENTLEMEN:—It is with something more than regret that I tender my resignation of the Rectorship of the Church of the Holy Trinity. The necessity which compels this action, is my election to, and acceptance of, the Episcopate of Southern Ohio. I trust you will do me the justice to believe that nothing but the conviction, after mature deliberation, that God in His providence had called me, would have induced me to resign my present position. I had looked forward to a long ministry among you. I should have been content to finish my course just here, but the unanimity which marked the action of Southern Ohio, the indications of a Divine ruling in it, the peculiar character and importance of the Diocese, the opportunities for enlarged usefulness there, and the course of events since the election, have combined with other circumstances to convince me that I must accept the charge. The honor of the new office has no weight compared with the cross I must take up in leaving these pleasant places, and resigning those pastoral sympathies which constitute the charm of a

Pastor's life. I thank you for the courtesy, consideration, and generosity which you have uniformly extended to me. It is my comfort now to know, that your sympathies and prayers will go with me, and I shall always remember gratefully, the Christian Vestry, the zealous workers, and the warm-hearted people of the Church of the Holy Trinity.

May the Master who has hitherto guided you, choose for you a Pastor after His own heart. My resignation will take effect at the time of my consecration, but at the request of the Wardens, I shall gladly remain in charge of the Parish until after the second Sunday in May.

I remain always your affectionate friend,

THOMAS A. JAGGAR.

2007 DeLancey Place, Phila., April 19, 1875.

At a meeting of the Vestry of the Church of the Holy Trinity, held on April 21st, the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted:

The resignation of the Rev. Thomas A. Jaggar, D.D., Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Southern Ohio, as Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Philadelphia, having been received, the Vestry desire to express their sincere regret at the separation, and their high appreciation of the marked ability and signal success which have distinguished Dr. Jaggar's services as Pastor of this Church. Therefore,

Resolved, 1. As the sentiment of this Vestry, that our Rector leaves this Parish with the unanimous regret of the Vestry and Congregation, who are only reconciled to the loss, by the knowledge of the fact, that he has been called to a higher and wider field of labor in the Church, and to a position of usefulness which he did not feel at liberty to decline, and his acceptance of which the Vestry did not feel at liberty to oppose.

2. That to the zealous and faithful discharge of his pastoral duties among us, his manly and vigorous preaching of the truth, aided by his stirring eloquence, this Church, in the Providence of God, is greatly indebted for its present prosperity, and the influence of Dr. Jaggar's character and teaching, will, we believe, exert itself, and be felt in this Parish for years to come.

3. That in parting with our Rector, we desire to tender to him the assurance of our high appreciation of his unselfishness in the pursuit of duty, of our warm affection for him, and to say that our earnest prayers shall follow him into his new field of honor and usefulness.

Attest,

THOMAS B. WATTSON,

Secretary of the Vestry.

PHILADELPHIA, April 22, 1875.

CONSECRATION OF BISHOP JAGGAR.

[From the *Episcopal Register*, May 1, 1875.]

On Wednesday morning, April 28, 1875, at the Church of the Holy Trinity, Rittenhouse Square, Philadelphia, of which Parish the Bishop-elect has for some years been Rector, the Rev. Dr. Jaggar was consecrated to be Bishop of the new Diocese of Southern Ohio. A full account of the Consecration Services is given below.

THE CONSECRATION SERVICES.

The Consecration services took place at the Church of the Holy Trinity, 19th and Walnut streets, on Wednesday morning, April 28, 1875, at 11 o'clock. The Church was thrown open to the public at half-past ten o'clock, and in a short time, this spacious and beautiful edifice was densely crowded. About fifteen hundred persons were present in the Church, closely filing the aisles and galleries, while many were unable to gain admission to any part of the building. The best order prevailed, and it is seldom that so large an audience present throughout the prolonged services attendant upon the Consecration of a Bishop, showed so quiet, attentive, and reverent a demeanor. The music was under the direction of Professor Francis T. S. Darley, Organist and Choir-master of the Church of the Holy Trinity, with a full Choir. The following is a list of the music, which was given in a style which for fervor and artistic skill in its rendition, has never here been surpassed:

Hymn No. 138 (Nicæa).
 Venite..... *Gregorian 8th tons.*
 Te Deum..... *Oakley.*
 Jubilate in F..... *Garrett.*
 Hymn No. 428 (Verinder)
 Gloria Tibi..... *Pleyel.*
 Hymn No. 36 (Twing).
 Trisagion..... *Barnby.*
 Hymn No. 203 (Stephens).

Gloria in Excelsis..... *Standbridge.*
 Hallelujah Chorus..... *Handel.*

The Clergy, nearly one hundred in number, assembled in the Parish Building adjoining the Church of the Holy Trinity, and promptly at 11 o'clock, entered the Church in procession.

THE PROCESSION

entered by the southern aisle and marched round, reached the chancel by the way of the main aisle, and was formed as follows:

Visiting Clergymen (not officiating).
 Clergymen (officiating).

Rt. Rev. B. B. Smith, D.D., LL.D., of Kentucky, Presiding Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States.

Presenters:—Rt. Rev. Bishop Potter, of New York, and Rt. Rev. Bishop Stevens, of Philadelphia.

Bishops assisting:—Rt. Rev. Wm. W. Jackson, D.D., Lord Bishop of Antigua; Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D.D., of Delaware; Rt. Rev.

W. W. Niles, D.D., of New Hampshire.

The Bishop-elect, Rev. Thomas A. Jaggar, D.D.

Attending Presbyters.

Rev. J. H. Eccleston, D.D., of Philadelphia.

Rev. T. S. Yocum, of Cincinnati.

As the procession entered, the choir sang hymn 138, "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!" Upon reaching the head of the aisle the line opened, and those not actively participating took seats on either side of the aisle, the remainder proceeding to the chancel.

THE SERVICES.

The following was the order of the services:

On reaching the Chancel the officiating Clergy passed on to their stations, and the rest of the Clergy took their places in the seats reserved for them. The following is a correct list of the names of the officiating Clergy, and the portions of the Services taken by them respectively:

THE MORNING PRAYER.

TO THE PSALTER.....Rev. D. R. Goodwin, D.D.,
Dean of Divinity School, Philadelphia.
 THE PSALTER.....Rev. J. Carpenter Smith, D.D.,
St. George's Church, Flushing, L. I.
 VENITE EXULTEMUS.....(Gregorian 5th tone.)
 THE FIRST LESSON.....Rev. T. F. Davies, D.D.,
St. Peter's Church, Philadelphia.
 (Isaiah lxi.)
 TE DEUM LAUDAMUS.....(Oakley.)
 THE SECOND LESSON.....Rev. Richard Newton, D.D.,
Church of the Epiphany, Philadelphia.
 (St. John xv.)
 JUBILATE DEO.....(G. M. Garrett.)
 THE NICENE CREED.....Rev. C. George Currie,
St. Luke's Church, Philadelphia.
 COLLECTS.....Rev. J. Cotton Smith, D.D.,
Church of the Ascension, New York City.
 HYMN 428, (Verinder,) announced by Rev. Benjamin Watson, D.D.

THE ANTE-COMMUNION.

THE COMMANDMENTS.....Rt. Rev. The Presiding Bishop.
 THE EPISTLE.....Rt. Rev. Horatio Potter, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L.,
Diocese of New York.
 THE GOSPEL.....Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D.D.,
Diocese of Delaware.
 HYMN 36, (Twing,) announced by Rev. Benjamin Watson, D.D.
 SERMON.by the Rt. Rev. A. N. Littlejohn, D.D.,
Diocese of Long Island.
 DOXOLOGY AFTER SERMON.

THE CONSECRATION.

CONSECRATOR.....Rt. Rev. B. B. Smith, D.D., LL.D.,
Presiding Bishop.
 PRESENTERS {Rt. Rev. Horatio Potter, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L.,
Diocese of New York.
 Rt. Rev. Wm. Bacon Stevens, D.D., LL.D.,
Diocese of Pennsylvania.
 TESTIMONIALS OF ELECTION.....Rev. Richard Gray,
President of Standing Committee of Southern Ohio.
 TESTIMONIALS OF CONVENTION.....Rev. Rufus W. Clark, Jr.,
Trinity Church, Columbus, Ohio.
 CONSENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES.....Rev. Chas. D. Cooper,
Church of the Holy Apostles, Philadelphia.
 CONSENT OF BISHOPS.....Rev. Henry C. Potter, D.D.,
Grace Church, New York.
 THE LITANY.....Rt. Rev. Wm. Bacon Stevens, D.D., LL.D.,
Diocese of Pennsylvania.

"Here the Bishop-elect put on the rest of the Episcopal Habit."

ATTENDING PRESBYTERS {Rev. J. H. Eccleston, D.D.,
Church of the Saviour, Philadelphia.
Rev. Thomas S. Yocum,
Christ Church, Cincinnati.
 OTHER {Rt. Rev. Wm. W. Jackson, D.D.,
Lord Bishop of Antigua.
Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D.D.,
Diocese of Delaware.
 BISHOPS PRESENT {Rt. Rev. W. W. Niles, D.D.,
Diocese of New Hampshire.
 AND {Rt. Rev. A. N. Littlejohn, D.D.,
Diocese of Long Island.
 ASSISTING, {Rt. Rev. Wm. Hobart Hare, D.D.,
Miss. Bishop of Niobrara.

THE HOLY COMMUNION.

OFFERTORY.....Rt. Rev. Wm. Hobart Hare, D.D.,
Missionary Bishop of Niobrara.
 EXHORTATION.....Rt. Rev. The Lord Bishop of Antigua.
 CONFESSION.....Rt. Rev. W. W. Niles, D.D.,
Diocese of New Hampshire.
 ABSOLUTION TO POST COMMUNION.....The Presiding Bishop.
 HYMN 203.....(3d and 4th verses.)
 POST-COMMUNION.
 BENEDICTION.....Rt. Rev. The Presiding Bishop.

BISHOP LITTLEJOHN'S SERMON.

The Right Rev. A. N. Littlejohn, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Long Island, delivered a sermon of special appropriateness to the occasion. It was an exhaustive and eloquent discourse, and occupied nearly an hour in its delivery. The text was from 2 Timothy, i, 13, 14.:

"Hold fast the form of sound words, which thou hast heard of me, in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus."

ADDRESS TO THE BISHOP-ELECT.

After finishing his sermon, Bishop Littlejohn addressed the Rev. Dr. Jaggar in terms of great feeling and affection, as follows:

MY DEAR BROTHER:—In consenting to undertake the duty which I have so imperfectly discharged this day, I was influenced in some measure by considerations of a local or personal character. You were reared and

educated on Long Island, where you were ordained to, and first exercised the ministry of, the Lord Jesus Christ.

There are many there who still remember with grateful affection the fruits of your pastoral energy and zeal, and who will watch your future course with a tender solicitude scarcely surpassed by that of the attached and beloved congregation from which you are now to be separated for the office and work of a Bishop in the Church of God. It was, therefore, not inappropriate that the Bishop of the Island Diocese with which your past life has been so intimately associated should be the preacher on an occasion so full of meaning and solemnity to you, and to us all. Permit me then to conclude my task with a few words of counsel and sympathy.

The office to which you are now to be consecrated is indeed very highly exalted in Divine and human estimation. But of the latter I make little account. The only exaltation worthy of our thought at this time is that which arises from a promise of closer fellowship with the Holy Ghost and a larger measure of His life-giving power. As it was ordained of God that the Christian Apostolate should be foremost among the orders of the ministry in dignity and authority, as well as foremost in the graces of character required in those who are called of it, so it is the will of God that it should be foremost in witnessing unto Christ. Said He to His Apostles, and through them to their successors unto the seed :—"Ye shall be witnesses unto Me both in Jerusalem and all Judea, and in Samaria and unto the uttermost parts of the earth." To-day, my dear brother, after traveling the circuit of more than eighteen centuries, and in this region of the earth far remote from the Holy City, whence it started, the commission of glory and grace reaches you.

Henceforth, interwoven with every anxiety and every labor for the salvation of souls, will rest upon you the duty to be a faithful and brave witness unto the faith once delivered to the Saints ; a witness unto the Church which is Christ's body, the very pillar and ground of the truth ; a witness as, on the one hand, against the spirit of license and anarchy, breaking out into open schism ; so on the other, against ambitious hierarchical pretensions that would swallow up the lawful liberty of all believers in an overshadowing despotism ; a witness unto the ministry and sacraments as Christ hath ordained the same ; and, finally, a witness unto a Scriptural and Apostolic worship, free alike from the caprices and disorders of Puritanic individualism and the false symbolisms of Roman corruptions.

Whatever the World may say to the contrary, there inheres in this high office an authority commensurate with its responsibility, an authority which canons may limit and define, but which canons do not create, for it lived and worked before canons had a being. Bear this authority meekly, use it always with prudence and moderation, but let it not prove a vain thing in your hands in the presence of those "which walk disorderly" in the household of Christ.

God grant that no source of strength and comfort may be closed against

you. But there is one source of them the preciousness of which you will feel more and more as the years roll on and the trials multiply—and that is that in these times of religious tumult and instability, the solemn office now committed to you will be exercised in a branch of the Church Catholic, which resists absolutely and utterly all changes in the substance of the Apostolic Faith, Fellowship, Order, Sacraments, and Worship. Nor only this ; but resist all changes in things confessedly changeable, except the change be made by duly constituted authority and in ways canonically established.

The men whom the Church needs for chief priests in this age and in this land should be men of loving hearts, stout wills, and large sympathies—of loving hearts, that they may draw all souls unto them by the mind that was in Christ Jesus ; stout wills, that neither fear nor favor may warp them from the line of duty ; large sympathies, that they may make room for all varieties of thought, character, and policy necessarily included in a living Church.

In the freshness of strength of your years you go to a field interesting in itself and still more so from its association with illustrious master builders gone before. You will not turn a furrow in that field or set a stone in the wall which encloses it without being reminded of those into whose labors you have entered ; the godly and eloquent McIlvaine ; the judicious, devoted, and gentle Bedell. May you have grace and wisdom so to feed and rule the flock over which they presided as to build them up still more in the unity of faith and knowledge of the Son of God. Go forth then to your work strong in the Lord, and in the power of His might. Hold up the weak, heal the sick, bind up the broken, bring again the outcast, seek the lost.

And now commending you, your clergy and laity, to God and to the Word of His Grace, may He who brought again from the dead the Lord Jesus Christ, and the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

XII.

ELECTION OF A NEW RECTOR.

The Church Wardens and Vestrymen took early steps to fill the vacant Rectorship by the unanimous election of the Rev. William Neilson McVickar, of Harlem, N. Y.

Mr. McVickar has accepted the appointment and will

probably enter upon the Rectorship of the Church on the first Sunday in October. Mr. McVickar is very favorably known by our people, and will receive from them, when he comes, a very hearty welcome, and we have every reason to believe that the Church will continue to prosper under his ministrations. If Pastor and people prayerfully and faithfully work together, we may expect the Divine Blessing. Let us all faithfully do our part, and then we can confidently leave the result with the Great Head of the Church.

LEMUEL COFFIN,
ALEXANDER BROWN,
WILLIAM P. CRESSON,
LEWIS H. REDNER,

Committee.

We present to the Congregation, in connection with the foregoing report, the usual statement of Services and Contributions of the Parish for the year ending May 1, 1875 :

	At the Church.	At the Chapel.	Total.
Infant Baptisms	30	31	61
Adult Baptisms	6	1	7
Confirmations	35	11	46
Marriages	9	11	20
Burials	30	23	53

CONTRIBUTIONS.

(Including Collections and Subscriptions.)

Communion Alms, including special donations for the Poor	\$3,076 80
Reported by the departments of the Parish Association	4,081 33
City Missions	1 310 00
Diocesan Missions	535 00
Domestic Missions	1,105 84
Foreign Missions	2,352 42
Church Home for Children	2,784 00
Lincoln Institution for Boys	416 35
Educational Home for Boys	1,928 00
Episcopal Hospital	934 25
Christmas Fund for Disabled Clergymen	200 00
Promotion of Christianity among the Jews	123 88
Bible Society	314 35
Theological Education	563 05
Episcopal and Convention Fund	350 00
Support of Holy Trinity Chapel	2,354 80
Support of the Sunday Schools and Bible Classes of the Parish	443 56
Collections and Subscriptions at the Chapel	811 35
Toward the erection of Holy Trinity Memorial Chapel	20,000 00
Toward the erection of Holy Trinity Memorial School Building	20,000 00
Toward the purchase of the Lot at 22d and Spruce streets	7,500 00
Miscellaneous	1,980 00
Total amount of Contributions	\$73,164 98
Pew Rents received	17,094 50
	\$90,259 48

ALEXANDER BROWN,
LEMUEL COFFIN,
Church Wardens.

PHILADELPHIA, May 31, 1875.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

PAROCHIAL COMMITTEE

OF THE

CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

PHILADELPHIA.

For the year ending May 1, 1876.

PHILADELPHIA:
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1876.

OFFICERS OF THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

RECTOR,

REV. WILLIAM NEILSON McVICKAR, 2007 Delancey Place.

ASSISTANT MINISTER—In charge of the Memorial Chapel,
REV. ROBERT A. EDWARDS, 1843 Chestnut Street.

RECTOR'S ASSISTANT,
REV. JAMES C. CRAVEN.

CHURCH WARDENS,

ALEXANDER BROWN, LEMUEL COFFIN.

VESTRYMEN,

WILLIAM P. CRESSON, DANIEL B. CUMMINS,
CHRISTOPHER WETHERILL, LEWIS H. REDNER,
THOMAS B. WATTSON, ALFRED M. COLLINS,
JOEL B. MOORHEAD, EZRA BOWEN,
WILLIAM H. LARNED, JOHN CLAYTON.

Secretary of the Vestry—THOMAS B. WATTSON.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Committee on Music—Messrs. CRESSON, COFFIN, LARNED and WETHERILL.

Committee on Finance—Messrs. CUMMINS, COFFIN, CRESSON and MOORHEAD.

Committee on Trusts—Messrs. BROWN, COFFIN, COLLINS and CLAYTON.

Committee on the Memorial Chapel—Messrs. COFFIN, BROWN, CRESSON, REDNER, WATTSON, and the RECTOR OF THE CHURCH and MINISTER OF THE CHAPEL, *ex officio*.

Parochial Committee—The RECTOR and Messrs. BROWN, COFFIN, CRESSON, REDNER and BOWEN.

Auditing Committee—Messrs. WETHERILL and BOWEN.

ORGANIST AND CHOIR MASTER,
FRANCIS T. S. DARLEY.

SEXTON,

JULIUS ABEND, 312 South Sixteenth Street.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

PHILADELPHIA.

JUNE 15, 1876.

THE PAROCHIAL COMMITTEE, in accordance with the provisions of the new By-Laws, makes the following report of the work and contributions of the Parish for the year ending May 1, 1876.

I.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BIBLE CLASSES of the Parish make the following exhibit:

AT THE CHURCH.

MAIN SCHOOL.....	40 Teachers.	308 Scholars.
INFANT SCHOOL.....	3 "	125 "
COLORED SCHOOL.....	39 "	315 "
BIBLE CLASSES.....	5 "	227 "
	<u>87</u>	<u>975</u>

AT THE MEMORIAL CHAPEL.

MAIN SCHOOL.....	47 Teachers.	340 Scholars.
INFANT SCHOOL.....	2 "	200 "
BIBLE CLASSES.....	4 "	195 "
	<u>53</u>	<u>735</u>

Total, 140 Officers and Teachers, and 1710 Scholars, making the whole number of teachers and scholars connected with the Sunday Schools and Bible Classes of the Parish, 1850. Of these about two hundred attend both the Schools of the Church and the Chapel.

The general attendance of the teachers and scholars has been very good. The Bible Classes are in excellent condi-

tion, and the Schools and Classes at the New Chapel have steadily increased and are very prosperous.

Christmas festivals and exhibitions were given to the children at the Church and the Chapel, the necessary funds for which, amounting to more than \$600, were generously contributed by the members of the congregation.

The good work inaugurated by the Sunday School Missionary Society at the Church, just previous to our last report, continues to flourish, and the contributions during the year amounted to \$581.33.

The Missionary offerings of all the Schools and Classes of the Parish exceeded one thousand dollars, which have been paid over to the various objects designated, two hundred dollars of the amount being sent to Bishop Jaggar for use in Southern Ohio.

II.

SEWING SCHOOLS.

THE CHURCH SEWING SCHOOL makes this report:

28 Teachers, 225 Scholars.

Pieces of work finished 247, comprising undergarments suited to the children who made them, besides handkerchiefs and aprons; and other articles, including some neatly made shirts, which will be sent to the family of some Missionary. The season has been a very successful one, owing mainly to the regularity of the attendance of the Teachers and the efficient management of their Classes. The discipline of the School has been well preserved, and the children have been diligent and appreciative of their advantages. They have committed to memory many hymns and Scripture texts, which, together with the devotional exercises at the opening and closing of the School sessions, have engaged their hearty interest.

The amount contributed for the support of the School has

been \$109.06, and the expenses, including festival, \$97.53, leaving a balance of \$11.53.

THE CHAPEL SEWING SCHOOL reports:

21 Teachers, 200 Scholars.

Pieces of work finished 280, consisting of underclothing, dresses, handkerchiefs and aprons. Three quilts were made, one of which was sent to the Children's Hospital at Radnor, and two to the Infants' Home in West Philadelphia.

The School has had a successful season, owing to the efficiency of the Teachers and the regular attendance of the children.

Contributions for the support of the School amounted to \$58.54, and the expenses, including festival, \$56.54, leaving a balance of \$2.

III.

NIGHT SCHOOL.

THE NIGHT SCHOOL FOR GIRLS at the Church has been in session twice a week from October to March, under the instruction of the two experienced teachers who have had the charge of the School for the past five years. Fifty young women from fifteen to twenty-five years of age were admitted to the School during the first week, and all attended regularly throughout the season. The instruction given was of a primary character, suited to the character and needs of the scholars, many of whom were ignorant of the most common branches. The pupils generally manifested an earnest desire to learn, and considering the limited period of the term made good progress in their studies. On the part of several of the scholars, the instruction received at the School has been followed by studies at home.

The whole expense of the School has been about \$200.

IV.

DORCAS SOCIETY.

THE DORCAS SOCIETY of the Church has been efficiently managed by the ladies interested in this branch of Church work.

The Treasurer reports:

Subscriptions received.....	\$1,021 80	
Special contributions	75 00	
Received from sales of garments.....	167 35	
		\$1,264 15
Paid for materials.....	568 16	
" shoes.....	243 57	
" sewing.....	448 42	
		1,260 15
	Balance on hand.....	\$4 00
Number of garments sold at cost of materials.....	487	
" " given away.....	945	
" " remaining on hand for early distribution.....	588	
	Total.....	2020
Pairs of shoes given away.....	140	
Donations to Children's Hospital.....	120 garments.	
" " Church of Holy Apostles	90	"
" " Home of the Homeless.....	42	"
" " Church of the Good Shepherd.....	66	"

V.

LADIES' MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

THIS SOCIETY met weekly as usual during the Lenten Season, and the ladies have diligently labored to produce the best results.

The Treasurer reports the amount of subscriptions received in money \$889.82, all of which has been expended upon materials and work in making clothing for our faithful and needy Missionaries. Contributions of goods and clothing were also received, and eight boxes of clothing, valued at \$1250, have been sent, as the result, to Missionaries in Pennsylvania, Illinois, Virginia and North Carolina.

VI.

PARISH LIBRARY.

THE PARISH LIBRARY at the Church has been open from October to June for the use of the congregation and others. 150 books have been added to the Library, and the shelves now contain 1600 volumes mostly of standard works. If the congregation will afford the means, a still larger number of new and attractive books will be purchased.

The Chapel Library of 1000 volumes will soon be put in condition for more general use, than has been possible during the past two seasons.

VII.

DISTRICT VISITING.

THE DISTRICT VISITING during the year has been principally done by the Teachers of the Adult Bible Classes, who have aided the Rector by their inquiries into the condition of the many applicants for help. Coal has been largely distributed among the poor, and many persons have been assisted in the payment of their monthly rent.

VIII.

THE WORKINGMEN'S CLUB OF THE PARISH.

THE PRESIDENT of the Club makes the following statement: Among the many good works in which our Parish is interested there are few if any which claim more consideration than the Workingmen's Club.

The rooms of the Association, situated at No. 2044 Locust street, are neatly and comfortably furnished, and contain a library of over 500 volumes, together with such facilities for innocent recreations as to render them attractive

and beneficial. Although opened but recently, the membership numbers over 250, and the nightly attendance is very gratifying.

Arrangements are now being made for the organization of a Building and Loan Association, a Beneficial Society and such other plans of mutual co-operation as will render the Club of great practical value to those interested. It is also purposed to give a regular course of instructive and enjoyable lectures and entertainments, during the winter season.

The managers are deeply interested in the work, and employ all possible means to promote the welfare of the members. They ask the interest and assistance of all who have at heart the welfare of the working classes.

By providing an attractive place of resort many of the young men are removed from the influence of the taverns and street corners, and led in the way of moral and intellectual advancement, towards lives of usefulness and honor.

The managers extend to all friends of the work a cordial invitation to visit the Rooms and inspect the workings of the Club.

IX.

THE HOLY TRINITY MEMORIAL BUILDINGS.

THE CONSECRATION SERVICES OF THE HOLY TRINITY MEMORIAL BUILDINGS at Twenty-second and Spruce streets took place on Monday, November 1, 1875, ALL SAINTS' DAY, at 11 o'clock in the morning, the Rt. Rev. BISHOP STEVENS officiating. The Bishop was assisted in the services by the Rector of the Church and the Minister of the Chapel and several other clergymen. The instrument of endowment, signed by the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of the Church of the Holy Trinity, was presented and read by the Chairman of the Building Committee. The sermon was preached by the RIGHT REV. THOMAS A. JAGGAR, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Southern Ohio, during

whose Rectorship of the Church of the Holy Trinity the erection of these Buildings was begun. It seemed appropriate that the Buildings erected as memorials of two devoted servants of God should be consecrated to His worship and service on the feast of All Saints.

Services were also held in the evening, when addresses were made by the present and former ministers of the Chapel. Both services were deeply interesting and were attended by large congregations.

DESCRIPTION OF THE BUILDINGS BY JAMES P. SIMS, THE ARCHITECT, FURNISHED FOR THE PAPERS OF THAT DATE.

The School Building is two stories in height, built of Trenton stone, with dressings of Hummelstown stone. The lower floor has two entrances on Spruce street, opening into a commodious vestibule. Adjoining the vestibule is the Lecture room and two Bible class rooms, and an Infant school room, all having exterior doors. The main upper floor is occupied by the Sunday School room, 36 feet by 68 feet, with an open roof. Communicating with it is the Library. There are accommodations for more than 900 teachers and scholars.

The Building is, in character, 13th century French Gothic, severe in outlines, but relieved by small gables over the stairways, and, at the north end of the Sunday School, by a bell-cote 73 feet in height. The outside dimensions of the Building are 40 by 84 feet. The interior of the Building is finished entirely in chestnut and is wainscoted. The windows throughout are filled with stained glass of simple character; those at the north and south ends of the Sunday School room are, however, handsome, and represent biblical and symbolical subjects. The wall space throughout the building is simply decorated with lines of stencil patterns and several scroll inscriptions. At the south end of the Sunday School room, above a raised platform, is a tablet of butternut, with a brass plate bearing the inscription—"This Building erected in memory of John Bohlen by Catharine M. Bohlen and Lemuel Coffin, 1874-5."

The Chapel is built of the same material as the School Building, and is also Early French in its character. Its outside dimensions are 68 feet on Spruce street and 107 feet on Twenty-second street. It has five entrance doors, three on Spruce street, one on Twenty-second street, and one into the porch connecting the Church and Schools. The auditorium is 56 feet by 72 feet, and, with the gallery, will seat about seven hundred and fifty persons. South of the auditorium are the Chancel, the Organ chamber, and the Vestry room. On the exterior a small octagonal turret rises to a height of 120 feet, and is surmounted by a gilded iron cross. The roof is of novel construction, having a clerestory, but no columns, the thrust of the upper part being carried by flying buttresses, thus giving the advantages of columns without their inconvenience.

The flying buttresses, with their crockets, make an agreeable break on the exterior, and on the interior there is a fine clerestory with an open triforium beneath it, and a wooden vaulted ceiling 48 feet in height. The chancel arch is 23 feet wide and 40 feet high, with carved stone corbel shafts on both sides. The windows throughout are of stained glass, several being very handsome, especially the rose window in the chancel and the four-light north window. The walls of both auditorium and chancel are richly decorated in stencil, and bear numerous inscriptions. The south wall of the chancel is wainscoted to a height of eight feet; above is an arcade of seven arches, the corbels, &c., of which are brought out with gold patterns; the arched heads are colored dark blue, with delicate stencil patterns in gold, and below are conventional curtains on a richly diapered ground. The pedal pipes of the Organ show in an arch on the east side of the Chancel, and are decorated in a similar manner.

The key-board of the Organ is brought out in front of the case, the action being reversed, and the organist thus facing the congregation. The case is of simple design, with richly decorated metal pipes. The handsome Communion service was purchased with funds left for that purpose

by the late Miss Eliza Colhoun. The Font, presented by Mr. Lemuel Coffin, stands at the head of the aisle, on the west, and is of polished marble, with a handsome oak cover. Above the Font is an elaborately carved tablet, made of polished white marble, with the inscription: "This Chapel erected by Anna H. Wilstach, in memory of her daughter, Anna Gertrude Wilstach, who entered into rest May 19, 1873."

The School Building, completely furnished, cost \$28,000.

The Chapel, with its organ, stained glass, decorations, and fittings complete, cost \$58,000. The ground was contributed by the congregation of the Church of the Holy Trinity, and has cost, including the curbing, paving, and other incidental expenses, \$50,000, making the cost of the whole enterprise \$136,000, which will be entirely free of debt. The seats are free, and the current expenses will be met by voluntary contributions of the parish. The Chapel will be under the government of the Rector, Church Wardens, and Vestrymen of the Church of the Holy Trinity.

The Buildings were erected under contract by Adam A. Catanach, Carpenter and Builder. The stone-work was done by Edward Delany. The stained-glass windows were designed and made by H. J. Smith & Co. The painting and decorations by John Gibson. The Organ was built by Standbridge Brothers. The Gas Fixtures by Baker, Arnold & Co. The Building Committee were Lemuel Coffin, Alexander Brown, W. P. Cresson, J. B. Moorhead, and L. H. Redner.

X.

THE WORK OF THE MEMORIAL CHAPEL.

THE enlarged work in the new Chapel and School Building since the last Report has proved very successful. In the month of June, 1875, possession of the old Chapel Building, at Twenty-second and Locust streets, was given to the City of Philadelphia, who had become the purchasers, and regu-

lar Church Services were held in the new School Building, at Twenty-second and Spruce streets, pending the completion of the new Chapel.

The congregations, under the faithful ministrations of its Minister, Rev. Robert A. Edwards, have increased steadily and were quite large during the winter and spring. The services are marked with much devotion, the music being thoroughly congregational, in which all the people join most heartily. While some of the wealthier class have increased the attendance, there has been no decrease in that of the less favored class, who look upon the new Chapel as they did on the old one, as their Spiritual Home.

The religious movement that pervaded our entire community during the winter was felt in our Chapel. During the season of Lent, services were held nightly for several weeks, followed by devotional meetings in the Lecture Room, and after the latter numerous persons remained to speak with the Minister and his associates on the subject of religion. A rich harvest was gathered in on the visitation of the Bishop, when 73 persons, received the rite of Confirmation.

The money receipts from all sources in the year from the Chapel amounted to \$2,852.42, a large part of which was devoted to defraying the current expenses.

The Sunday Schools and Bible Classes are in a most prosperous condition, the number on the roll, as has been noted, making a total of 788. The appliances in the new Sunday School Building are perfect, and both Teachers and Scholars have entered into the work with increased earnestness.

The Sewing School was successfully carried on during the winter, and the Women's Bible Class and Missionary Society were full of activity and did efficient work. A missionary box valued at \$185 was sent out by the latter to the widow and family of one of our Western Missionaries. The subscriptions to the Coal Fund for the benefit of the members of the Society, amounted to \$427.

This is a very summary account of the good work going on at the Chapel, and the future promises increased activity.

BEQUEST OF THE LATE JOHN BOHLEN.

THE Trustees under the will of the late John Bohlen have distributed the \$100,000 bequeathed to them for religious and charitable objects. Of this sum \$37,500 have been given to the Church of the Holy Trinity in trust for the following purposes:

1. Foreign Missionary Fund.....	\$15,000 00
2. Missionary Fund for Female Education.....	10,000 00
3. John Bohlen Lectureship.....	10,000 00
4. Day Nursery Fund.....	2,500 00
	<hr/> \$37,500 00

This amount has been securely invested, by the Committee on Trusts, in good mortgages, and the yearly income therefrom will be paid over to the objects named in the Deed of Trust. The John Bohlen Lectureship has been endowed upon the same general plan as that of the Bampton Foundation at Oxford, England.

BRIEF NOTES.

We are glad to announce that the inaugural course of lectures upon the Bohlen Foundation will be delivered in our Parish next Winter, by the Rev. Alexander H. Vinton, D.D., the first Rector of this Church.

The Parish Building will be altered during the summer by removing the Infant School to its original position on the first floor, while the second floor will be made into a commodious and attractive Chapel or Lecture Room, with 300 sittings.

It has been decided to furnish the windows of the Church with double sashes for the winter months, to obviate the

drafts of cold air heretofore complained of. It is believed that this change will make all the pews near the windows much more desirable and comfortable.

It is probable that further repairs and improvements will be made in the Parish Building another year. The Church Building begins to need renewing in many parts, and a thorough repair of all parts will soon be absolutely necessary.

The re-pointing done on the south side of the building will show how greatly the exterior will be benefitted and improved in appearance when the front and north side of the edifice shall also be re-pointed.

The Vestry has been able, through the accumulations of the Sinking Fund, to extinguish the principal of one of the ground rents upon the Church lot, amounting to \$8,750. The principal of the remaining ground rents amounting to \$28,750, it is hoped will not long remain unextinguished.

The By-Laws of the Church have recently been carefully revised and amended to suit the present needs of the Corporation. One of the articles provides for a PAROCHIAL COMMITTEE to consist of the Rector and Wardens and three other members who shall have the supervision and general management of the educational, industrial and benevolent work of the Church, and who shall make an annual report of the work and contributions of the Parish.

A copy of the new By-Laws will soon be sent to the members of the congregation.

MR. MARSH, for ten years sexton of the Church, has been compelled this year to retire from the position in consequence of failing health. Mr. Julius Abend, the former assistant sexton, has been appointed in his place.

XIII.

RECORD OF CHURCH OFFICES.

	At the Church.	At the Chapel.	Total.
Infant Baptisms	41	32	73
Adult Baptisms	12	14	26
Confirmations	35	73	108
Marriages	8	3	11
Burials	18	24	42

XIV.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

(Including Collections and Subscriptions.)

Communion Alms for the Poor	\$1,847 15
Reported by the Educational, Industrial and Benevolent departments	4,329 55
Workingmen's Club of the Parish	1,342 00
City Missions	700 00
Diocesan Missions	348 29
Domestic Missions, including Freedmen and Indians	1,779 23
Reform Movement in Mexico	834 50
Foreign Missions	2,224 28
Church Home for Children	2,259 00
Lincoln Institution for Boys	300 00
Educational Home	1,776 50
Episcopal Hospital	920 64
Christmas Fund for Disabled Clergymen	200 00
Promotion of Christianity among the Jews	120 00
Prayer Book Society	84 25
Theological Education	524 46
Episcopal and Convention Fund	350 00
Support of the Holy Trinity Memorial Chapel	2,504 31
Support of the Sunday Schools of the Parish	553 12
Completion of the Holy Trinity Memorial Chapel	38,000 00
Completion of the Holy Trinity Memorial School Building	8,000 00
Completion of payment for the Lot for the Memorial Buildings	21,000 00
Collections and Subscriptions at the Memorial Chapel	2,852 42
Rev. W. B. Morrow for relief of Church at Easton, Penna.	1,566 00
Miscellaneous objects	1,880 00
Contributions	96,255 69
Pew Rents received	17,902 00
Total	\$114,157 69

NOTES BY THE RECTOR.

It remains but for the Rector to close this report with a word of congratulation and exhortation to the congregation of the Holy Trinity.

It is a matter of congratulation that in a year of financial and social depression, which might have led us to anticipate perhaps a somewhat decreasing Church activity, we are able to record our usual large work unabated, and in addition to this, through noble individual generosity, the enlarging of our borders and the strengthening of our stakes, for a still larger work in the future. May we not, in thinking of it, "Thank God, and take courage?"

And this, too, gives us our exhortation. We are "to take courage"—*Courage* and thanks must be correlative elements in our review; *thanks for the past, courage for the future*. The work is not a finished one—its very liveness and increase forbids such an idea,—so that, while we cast a grateful glance behind and above, it is that we may be strengthened to drive the plough more earnestly and steadily into the yet unturned furrow. The past is to strengthen and also correct future effort. And this very encouraging report of the last year contains, to one who has seen behind its aggregate figures, important suggestions toward improvement; and among them this, that the future should not only be a larger but also a wider work, so far as the number of workers is concerned. Unfortunately, we are reminded that it is with us, as it is with all voluntary associations for good, and as it should not be with any, that among the many, only the comparatively *few* share the duty and privilege of doing. It would be well for us in the future, often to recall the responsibility which is laid upon the individual "according to that he hath." And this should be carried out into all branches of the work, whether active or receptive. So should

we see *all* doing and giving gladly of that little or much, through God, they have; and the Master's blessing awaiting each who "hath done what he could."

WILLIAM NEILSON McVICKAR, *Rector*.

ALEXANDER BROWN,	} <i>Church Wardens.</i>
LEMUEL COFFIN,	
WILLIAM P. CRESSON,	} <i>Vestrymen.</i>
LEWIS H. REDNER,	
EZRA BOWEN,	
<i>Parochial Committee.</i>	

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
PAROCHIAL COMMITTEE
OF THE
CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,
PHILADELPHIA.

For the year ending May 1, 1877.

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1877.

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RECTOR,
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ASSISTANT MINISTER—In charge of the Memorial Chapel,
REV. ROBERT A. EDWARDS, 1843 Chestnut Street.

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STANDING COMMITTEES.

Committee on Music—Messrs. CRESSON, COFFIN, LARNED and WETHERILL.

Committee on Finance—Messrs. CUMMINS, COFFIN, CRESSON and MOORHEAD.

Committee on Trusts—Messrs. BROWN, COFFIN, COLLINS and CLAYTON.

Committee on the Memorial Chapel—Messrs. COFFIN, BROWN, CRESSON, REDNER, WATTSON, and the RECTOR OF THE CHURCH AND MINISTER OF THE CHAPEL, *ex officio*.

Parochial Committee—The RECTOR and Messrs. BROWN, COFFIN, CRESSON, REDNER and BOWEN.

Auditing Committee—Messrs. WETHERILL and BOWEN.

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CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

PHILADELPHIA, JUNE 15, 1877.

THE PAROCHIAL COMMITTEE of the Vestry of the Church of the Holy Trinity, presents to the congregation the following report of the Educational, Industrial and Benevolent work of the Parish for the year ending May 1, 1877.

I.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BIBLE CLASSES of the Parish are full of life and vigor, and the roll-books show the following enumeration of Teachers and Scholars in regular attendance:

AT THE CHURCH.

MAIN SCHOOL.....	40 Teachers.	312 Scholars.
INFANT SCHOOL.....	3 " "	125 " "
COLORED SCHOOL.....	39 " "	348 " "
BIBLE CLASSES.....	5 " "	235 " "
	87	1020

AT THE MEMORIAL CHAPEL.

MAIN SCHOOL.....	50 Teachers.	393 Scholars.
INFANT SCHOOL.....	2 " "	235 " "
BIBLE CLASSES.....	3 " "	240 " "
	55	868

Total, 142 Officers and Teachers, and 1888 Scholars, making the whole number of teachers and scholars connected with the Sunday Schools and Bible Classes of the Parish, 2030. Of these probably two hundred attend both the Schools of the Church and the Chapel. While the

Schools and Bible Classes of the Church have more than held their own, those of the Chapel have materially added to their numbers.

The attendance has been very regular, and larger than for several seasons; this applies more particularly to all the Adult Bible Classes as well as to the Schools at the Chapel.

The discipline of the Colored School has improved, and it is now becoming a very orderly and interesting department of our work.

The usual Christmas festivals were given to the children at the Church and the Chapel, and all the scholars had the opportunity afforded them of visiting the Centennial Exhibition, the funds for these objects, amounting to more than \$800, having been contributed by a few members of the congregation.

The Missionary offerings of the Church Schools have amounted to \$455, and the Chapel Schools to \$430. Other offerings made by the Bible Classes have increased the amount to \$1000.

It is pleasant to report that many of the candidates for confirmation came from the Schools and Bible Classes.

II.

SEWING SCHOOLS.

THE CHURCH SEWING SCHOOL makes this report:

25 Teachers, and 216 Scholars; the attendance was large and regular throughout the season, which lasted about five months. Of work done 254 pieces were finished and given to the children, and a patchwork quilt donated to the Church Home for Children. The expenses of the School, including the festival at the end of the season, were \$82.56.

THE CHAPEL SEWING SCHOOL reports:

18 Teachers and 180 Scholars.

The School has been well managed, and the industry of the scholars

very satisfactory. 355 garments and handkerchiefs were made, and, in addition, two patchwork quilts given to the Church Home, and the Old Man's Home.

The expenses of the School have been very limited, not exceeding \$50.

In these Schools special attention is given to singing and other religious services, as well as the learning of Texts of Scripture, these forming an important part of each session.

III.

NIGHT SCHOOL.

THE NIGHT SCHOOL FOR GIRLS at the Church has been in session twice a week for a period of four months. Here instruction of a primary character has been given to fifty scholars from fifteen to thirty years of age, many of them having no other opportunity of acquiring even the most elementary branches of knowledge, and they generally seem to be very glad to avail themselves of the benefits of the School, and are regular in attendance.

As the Teachers of this School are quite competent, and love the work, we think it desirable that its operations should be enlarged.

The annual expense of the School has been less than \$150. With the employment of an additional teacher, and the increase of the School to seventy-five scholars, the whole cost would not exceed \$250.

IV.

DORCAS SOCIETY.

THE DORCAS SOCIETY of the Church has been well managed, and the number of workers has been somewhat larger than heretofore.

The Treasurer's reports:—

<i>Receipts.</i>	
Subscriptions received.....	\$1,010 50
From sales of garments.....	136 11
	<hr/> \$1,146 61
<i>Expenses.</i>	
For material.....	481 91
“ women for sewing.....	349 53
“ for shoes	281 49
	<hr/> 1,112 93
Balance applicable for Summer work.....	\$33 68
Number of garments sold at cost of materials.....	323
“ “ given away, mostly to children.....	1,030
“ “ remaining on hand for early distribution.....	454
	<hr/> Total..... 1,807
Donation to Hospital at Radnor.....	60 garments.
“ “ Children's Hospital.....	54 “
“ “ Episcopal Hospital.....	14 “
“ “ Home for the Homeless.....	84 “
“ “ Church of the Holy Apostles.....	72 “
“ “ Mission Church, Broad Street.....	54 “

V.

LADIES' MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

THIS SOCIETY met weekly during the Lenten Season at the Parish Rooms. A large number of the ladies of the congregation were greatly interested in its work, the object of which is to provide boxes of clothing for our needy and poorly-paid Missionaries in this and other Dioceses.

The Treasurer reports the money subscriptions at \$902.45, besides which materials and many articles of clothing were contributed. Seven boxes valued at over \$1,250 have been made up, and sent to Missionaries in Pennsylvania, Central Pennsylvania, Maine and Virginia.

VI.

PARISH LIBRARY.

THE PARISH LIBRARY at the Church has been open as usual from October to June for the use of the members of the congregation and others. Not many new books have been added the past season, but the Library contains 1600 volumes of excellent and profitable reading.

The Chapel Library containing 1000 volumes, is located in the Bible Class rooms of the Memorial School Building, and is open to all connected with the Chapel, either as regular or occasional attendants.

VII.

DISTRICT VISITING.

THE DISTRICT VISITING has been mainly, but not wholly, confined to those who are in some way connected with the Parish through its various agencies. This work has been undertaken by the Teachers of the Adult Bible Classes who are thoroughly acquainted with the whole District from which our Church and Chapel draw their scholars and attendants. Coal has been sent to the needy, and many have been aided in paying their house rent.

VIII.

THE WORKINGMEN'S CLUB OF THE PARISH.

THE WORKINGMEN'S CLUB and Reading Rooms are still carried on, and are doing good service to those who make use of the facilities thus afforded. No new features have been introduced since our last report, but those already mentioned are being thoroughly used with marked results.

The Library is well patronized, and should be enlarged.

Entertainments both instructive and amusing have been given from time to time, and have been thoroughly appreciated.

The Beneficial Society continues to prosper, and bids fair to become a valuable institution.

The Building Association briefly referred to in our last report has been very successful, over 400 shares having been taken in the first twelve months, and it promises to be one of the leading features of the Club.

The contributions to the Club proper for the year amount to about \$550.

IX.

THE WORK OF THE MEMORIAL CHAPEL AND SCHOOLS.

THE CHAPEL, during the second year of its occupancy of the new buildings at 22nd and Spruce streets, has carried on its work with increased efficiency. The congregations have steadily increased, and the earnestness manifested in the services impress all who attend them. Here rich and poor meet as one family around the Table of our Common Lord. It is thus seen that the Chapel supplies a want much felt in our city, that of a place of worship free to all who will come. The character of the work, as much as its growth, is a matter of devout thanksgiving to Almighty God. In the last report we gave an account of the work of the preceding year. Then a wave of religious feeling had swept over the community, and the Chapel had enjoyed a large share of the blessing. We are happy to say that the new converts have generally been steadfast. During the past winter and spring another spiritual movement has been felt. Extra religious services were held, before and during Lent, which were well attended, and at the recent Confirmation 62 persons, most of them adults in the prime of life, made a public profession of their faith in Christ.

The Sunday Schools and Bible Classes have manifested

more than usual interest and are larger than at any previous year. The deep seriousness pervading the Chapel showed itself in increased faithfulness on the part of the teachers, and among other evidences of their zeal has been the cordial attendance of the weekly meeting for the study of the Sunday's lesson. The Adult Bible Classes have been unusually large, the Male Bible Class and the Women's Bible Class each numbering over one hundred members.

"The Women's Bible Class and Missionary Society" have shown great activity in Christian work. They have had weekly meetings in the evening, their day hours being fully employed in their own labors, and at the end of the season they sent two boxes of clothing valued at \$230 to two of our devoted Missionaries in the West. A part of the money and some materials were furnished by friends of the Class, but the work was done by the women themselves. They also deposited in the Fuel Saving Fund for their last winter's coal, \$540. This is a good record for those who are obliged to labor diligently for their own support. Another Sewing Society composed of ladies of the congregation was organized, which devoted a morning each week for a season to its work and the result of their labors was:—a box of clothing valued at \$100, sent to the Indian Hope Mission in Niobrara; another box sent to a faithful Missionary in Kentucky, besides sundry garments to children and others in our midst. Thus has the good work gone on for another year, by the blessing of God, through the instrumentality of the faithful efforts of the Pastor of the Chapel and his earnest colaborers. Our prayer is that the next year may be one of still greater activity in the Lord's service and a blessing to those for whom He died.

In view of the large and increasing work of the Memorial Chapel, its support is a subject of serious consideration. The expenses last year were upwards of \$4,500, of which amount the congregation of the Chapel contributed about one-third. While the congregation of the mother Church may always be relied upon to generously contribute

to the current expenses of the Chapel, it is yet felt that the regular attendants and worshipers at the Chapel should themselves do more and more for its support according to their ability.

X

BRIEF NOTES.

The Rev. Dr. Vinton's inaugural course of lectures upon the Bohlen Foundation last winter gave great satisfaction. It gives us pleasure to state that the Right Rev. F. D. Huntington, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Central New York, has been appointed the next lecturer, and will be ready with his course in January or February, 1878.

The Annual Meeting of the Board of Missions, of the whole Church, was held in our Church last October, while the business meetings of the Board were accommodated in the Memorial Chapel. The House of Bishops met in the new Lecture Room of the Church, when two Missionary Bishops were elected, one for China, and one for Africa.

The alterations and improvements in the Parish Building completed last summer have met with general approval. The repointing of the tower and of the other parts of the Church and Parish Building will be completed this year. The roofs of both buildings will be thoroughly repaired and new gutters and water conductors will replace the old ones nearly worn out. The front entrances to the Church also will be noticeably improved.

It is hoped that arrangements can be made the coming Winter to enter upon the general repair and improvement of the interior of the Church next year. The amount needed for the purpose will not be less than \$10,000 or \$12,000. And if new stained glass windows should be put in, the sum required may reach \$15,000, which it is not doubted will be cheerfully

contributed by the congregation for the purpose. It will perhaps be a good plan to have the upper windows put in by the congregation out of the general contributions, and reserve the lower course for memorial windows to be put in by individuals and families from time to time. These proposed improvements will greatly beautify the Church, and ought to be made without further delay. When this work is undertaken, attention will be given to improving the ventilation of the Church. The question of what are the best methods of ventilation is now engaging the attention of a Committee appointed for the purpose.

It is believed that it will be advisable, after this year, to make but one collection in the Church each year, instead of two, for the support of the Memorial Chapel, and it is proposed hereafter to devote the Easter collections and offerings to this purpose, when with proper efforts \$3,000, or more, should be contributed for that and other objects.

RECORD OF CHURCH OFFICES.

	At the Church.	At the Chapel.	Total.
Infant Baptisms	30	29	59
Adult Baptisms	9	7	16
Confirmations	27	62	89
Marriages	10	6	16
Burials	33	15	48

CONTRIBUTIONS.

(Including Collections and Subscriptions.)

Communion Alms for the Poor and Donations for Special Objects. . .	\$3,237 34
Reported by the Educational, Industrial and Benevolent Departments. .	4,440 01
From the John Bohlen Trust Fund:	
For Foreign Missions	\$900 00
" Zenana Mission in India	600 00
" John Bohlen Lectureship.	600 00
" Day Nursery in this City.	150 00
	2,250 00
City Missions	1,104 00
Diocesan Missions	909 80
Domestic Missions, including Freedmen and Indians	2,005 39
Foreign Missions, including Mexico	3,018 82
Relief Fund to extinguish debt of the Board of Missions.	2,500 00
Church Home for Children	1,445 15
Lincoln Institution for Boys	235 00
Educational Home.	2,213 50
Episcopal Hospital	1,120 28
Christmas Fund for Disabled Clergymen	250 00
Promotion of Christianity among the Jews	119 86
Theological Education	951 34
Episcopal and Convention Fund	350 00
Support of the Holy Trinity Memorial Chapel	2,518 26
Support of the Sunday Schools of the Parish.	400 35
Collections and Subscriptions at the Memorial Chapel	3,127 01
Miscellaneous objects	750 00
Contributions	33,010 01
Pew Rents received	17,997 50
Total	\$51,007 51

NOTES BY THE RECTOR.

It is for the Rector to sum up the foregoing report and point its moral. Nor will the task be difficult or the moral a remote one.

It should be a subject of congratulation and of gratitude, as it may be one of surprise, that in this year of continued business depression Holy Trinity has not had to diminish aught of her old tale of work, but on the contrary has maintained and even enlarged her activity, as the figures show. So much for results. We are not likely too humbly to under-rate them, and God will not be unrighteous to forget what may be left of them after allowance has been made for their human imperfections.

Let us then turn again to the record rather to gather suggestions for improvement in future effort. It has something to teach us or it will prove but the fair epitaph of the past dead instead of a pledge of life for the future, and its essential lesson, it seems to me, first of all, has to do with that which is the fountain of all good and true work, which alone can raise it out of dull mechanism and make it worthy of acceptance, and that is, *its spirit*;—and the suggestion is that of more earnestness in the spirit of work,—and this, only as it can be, in the *individual worker*.

Much has been accomplished in the aggregate—many individuals have done nobly, but he who can read between the lines of this report will take the suggestion that we need a still deeper appreciation of *individual personal responsibility for individual talents*, a realization in deeds of the duties and privileges of that Christian *priesthood and stewardship* which is laid upon each "to do according to that he hath," whether it be the widow with her mite, or the rich with his rich gift, or that large class standing between

widow and wealth with their proportionate ability. This is the thought which calls for recognition, and this with gratitude to God our Saviour and the Giver of every good gift will pledge all earnestness and new success to the work.

Let it be but carried out or rather let it carry itself out, giving "*might*" to every thing good which "*it finds to do,*" worshipping where it worships with all its heart, throwing new life by its cordiality into every Church service, and so precluding all charge of formality or listlessness; supporting generously its missionary enterprise, whether at home or abroad, its free Chapels and Sunday Schools, or Chinese education, ready with its donation, "*not grudgingly or of necessity,*" for every worthy object, and following each gift with its devout prayers and hopes.

One word more and the suggestions are done, let there be an earnest co-operation with the Rector, in his work outside and within the homes of this Parish. Let your prayers ascend for him. Let your sympathies go out to help him, while he feels that all are seeking with him to gather the wanderers into the fold. And that God will bless you all and reward at last "the spirit which is in you," and which was also "in Christ Jesus," the spirit of *your true devotion*, will be, as it is, his prayer always.

WILLIAM NEILSON McVICKAR, *Rector.*

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Parochial Committee.

Philadelphia, June 15, 1877.

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CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

PHILADELPHIA.

For the year ending May 1st, 1878.

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CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

PHILADELPHIA, JUNE 15, 1878.

The PAROCHIAL COMMITTEE of the Vestry of the Church of the Holy Trinity, herewith submits to the congregation the following as their annual report of the Educational, Industrial and Benevolent work of the Parish for the year ending May 1, 1878:

I.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BIBLE CLASSES of the Parish have maintained their usual interest and vigor as witnessed to by the following numbers in regular attendance:

AT THE CHURCH.

MAIN SCHOOL,	40 Teachers.	300 Scholars.
INFANT SCHOOL,	3 "	130 "
COLORED SCHOOL,	36 "	325 "
BIBLE CLASSES,	5 "	230 "
	84	985

AT THE MEMORIAL CHAPEL.

MAIN SCHOOL,	49 Teachers.	385 Scholars.
INFANT SCHOOL,	2 "	250 "
BIBLE CLASSES,	4 "	309 "
	55	944

Total, 139 Officers and Teachers, and 1929 Scholars, making the whole number of teachers and scholars belonging to the Sunday Schools and Bible Classes of

the Parish, 2068. Of these about two hundred attend the Church and Chapel Schools.

The Schools had their usual Christmas Festivals, and on the afternoon of Easter Day all the Schools and Bible Classes held a united service, completely filling every available space in the body of the Church, while the galleries were crowded by those interested in the work.

The voluntary offerings of the Schools for Missionary objects have exceeded the sum of \$800.

Through the liberality of a few friends the children had the opportunity afforded them of paying their annual visit to the Zoological Garden. The discipline of the Schools has been good and the attendance large and regular. As usual, some of the candidates for confirmation came from the Schools and Bible Classes.

II.

NIGHT SCHOOL.

THE NIGHT SCHOOL FOR GIRLS, at the Church, has held its usual sessions during the winter and early spring months with an increase of attendance, so affording instruction in the fundamental branches to about sixty young women who would otherwise have no educational opportunities.

The teachers report a growing and very satisfactory interest on the part of the pupils. This, together with an increasing demand for admission to the privileges of the School, encourages the Committee to add, for the next season, a third teacher to its present very efficient staff. For the support of this most useful and excellent work we shall require about \$300 annually.

III.

SEWING SCHOOL.

Since the last report it has been deemed advisable for the present to merge the work of the Chapel Sewing School with that of the School at the parent Church, and the following is a summary of the operations of the latter: The School opened early in November with an attendance of 13 officers and teachers, and 175 scholars, afterwards increasing to 28 teachers and 270 scholars. Of work, 280 pieces were finished and returned to the children, in addition to three large patchwork quilts donated to the Children's Hospital. The annual expenses, including festival at the close of the School, have not exceeded the sum of one hundred dollars. In estimating the good accomplished by this instrumentality it must be remembered that the moral and spiritual welfare of the pupils is ever one of its principal aims.

IV.

DORCAS SOCIETY.

THE DORCAS SOCIETY of the Church has fully sustained its active and benevolent work for the past year as follows:

<i>Receipts.</i>	
Subscriptions and donations	\$1000 50
From sales of garments at cost of material	103 82
	<hr/> \$1,104 32
<i>Disbursements.</i>	
For materials	446 82
" shoes	198 60
" sewing by the poor women	408 34
" sundries	5 25
	<hr/> \$1,059 01
Balance on hand for Summer charity	\$45 31

Number of garments sold	247
" " given away	806
" " on hand for distribution	594
Pairs of shoes distributed	125
Total	1,772

The Beneficiaries of the Society have been Mission Churches and Institutions, but chiefly the individual poor connected with our own Parish.

V.

LADIES' MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY which holds its session during the season of Lent opened as usual on Ash Wednesday, and closed on Good Friday after having provided most generously for six Missionaries and their families, in all, thirty-three persons. They were all cases of peculiar need, and came fully endorsed by their respective Bishops. Our boxes, perhaps, were more complete than ever before, and the very grateful letters of acknowledgment which we have received, testify to the faithfulness which made every garment suitable and well fitting. And not only to their bodily wants have we thus ministered, but every letter speaks of the heart-cheer which these boxes bring, showing that the Lord and His people care for them. The value of the boxes was estimated at \$1300. The amount in money \$728.78, the residue in materials and clothing. Two gentlemen of the congregation defrayed the expenses of the freightage.

VI.

PARISH LIBRARY.

THE CHURCH LIBRARY contains more than 1600 volumes of select reading matter in the various branches of religious and secular literature. It has been opened throughout the year, with the exception of the summer months, and has been gratefully used by those who have chosen to avail themselves of its privileges. The Chapel Library is noticed in the article relating to the work of the Chapel.

VII.

THE WORKINGMEN'S CLUB.

Since the last report of this Association, it has been deemed expedient to change, in some particulars, its character and location, both of which had proved far too exclusive. This determination has resulted in a Free Reading Room, for which a commodious hall, on South Street, above Twenty-second, was rented and opened in November last. On its tables are to be found the current numbers of the leading monthly magazines and weekly and daily newspapers, and on its shelves such literature as the managers have been able to secure through the generosity of individual donors.

The success of the movement, in the numbers, interest and behavior of those who nightly have been drawn from the streets into its attractive atmosphere for the purposes of reading or the enjoyment of the checkers or backgammon board, has surpassed all expectation, more than justifying the movement, and

giving promise of still wider usefulness in the future. To carry on this enterprise about \$600 in money annually will be required.

VIII.

DISTRICT VISITING.

In connection with the different departments of benevolent work there is carried on, mainly though not entirely through the School and Bible Class teachers, a systematic course of visiting among our beneficiaries, securing the exercise of a wide personal influence for good, and at the same time the requisite knowledge and discrimination for the distribution of material aid. It is through these visitors that the larger part of our Communion funds are monthly applied in assistance towards the payment of room-rents, in provision of coal and in meeting the funeral expenses of those who would otherwise be forced upon public charities.

IX.

THE WORK OF THE MEMORIAL CHAPEL AND SCHOOLS.

The work in this department for the past year has been full of encouragement. The congregations have been large; and the Sunday Schools and Bible Classes are in a thriving condition, numbering 999 teachers and scholars.

The male Bible Class has 125 members. Largest number in attendance 95. The two Bible Classes for Young Women have also been very successful.

The Teacher of the Women's Bible Class makes the following interesting report: Number on the roll, 122; average attendance, 61; largest attendance 74; Missionary offerings in money, \$44.80. The Missionary Society connected with this class, met every Tuesday evening, from November to January, when the Chapel special services began. It made up and sent to the Episcopal Hospital, 60 garments; and to the Children's Hospital, 50 garments; value of the sewing, the gift of the women, \$27.50. This sewing was done at the Chapel by the women. Lessons on Confirmation four evenings during Lent which were well attended.

THE FUEL SAVING SOCIETY deposited in the Coal Fund by members and their friends, \$687.70, which enabled them to purchase their winter's coal at reduced prices.

THE MISSIONARY AID SOCIETY sent one box, valued at \$143, to a Clergyman at Cheyenne. The sewing for this box was all done by the members at their own homes.

THE LADIES' SEWING SOCIETY at the Chapel met weekly and made up 145 garments. A box of clothing, valued at over \$100, was also sent to one of our Southern Missionaries. The box in addition contained special donations in money.

The Parish Library at the Chapel has been reopened and placed in perfect order by two of the gentlemen who have been appointed Librarians. Donations of good second-hand books on subjects of Biography, History, Travels, &c., are needed and are solicited. They can be sent to the Minister or Sexton of the Chapel.

The Spiritual work of the Chapel has, under God's blessing, been earnest and active. In addition to the regular Sunday and ordinary week-day Services, special Religious Services were held nightly for several weeks during the early Spring, and were attended with large results. At the subsequent Confirmation, 59 persons, mostly adults, were, through the courtesy of Bishop Stevens, confirmed by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Jaggar, of Southern Ohio, the former Rector of the Parish. Of the number, about one-third were from the Sunday Schools and Bible Classes.

Thus has the year past been one of great encouragement. We look forward in the future with greater anticipations and hope to make this department of our Church-work more permanent and enduring.

In the month of December it was decided by the Chapel Committee to issue a circular to the Chapel congregation calling their attention to the necessity of larger contributions on the part of its worshipers. The Chapel contributed the past year \$1,872.11 towards its own support, exclusive of its Communion alms and collections for various religious objects, a considerable increase over the previous year. Measures will be taken the coming Fall looking to a still further increase in the offertory of the Chapel for this purpose, and it is hoped and believed that the congregation worshipping there will in time come up to the full measure of its responsibility in this particular. The whole amount of the current expenses of the Chapel exceed \$4,500 annually. The large contributions of the Church congregation the past year enabled the Committee to make full provision for every obligation, so that the Chapel begins the present year entirely clear of debt.

The Church will always feel deeply interested in the welfare of the Chapel, and will cheerfully contribute towards its proper maintenance.

X.

THE CHURCH DEBT.

A movement was made early in the Spring looking toward the extinguishment of the ground rents upon the Church lot, which is set forth and fully explained in the circular addressed to the congregation, a copy of which is herewith appended:

[CIRCULAR.]

THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, PHILADELPHIA.

To the Pew Holders and Members of the Congregation:

The Vestrymen of the Church, after a careful consideration of the subject, have decided that it is expedient and very desirable to extinguish the remaining ground rents upon the Church lot; and at a meeting of the Pew Holders, held on Ash-Wednesday evening, called at the request of the Vestry, to consider and act upon the suggestion, it was unanimously

Resolved: That the proposition of the Vestry be heartily approved, and that they be encouraged to proceed in the undertaking.

The principal of the four ground rents, originally upon the Church lot, was \$37,500. One, amounting to \$8,750, was paid off two years ago, through the operation of the Sinking Fund, leaving three, amounting to \$28,750, still unpaid. It is proposed to pay these off by voluntary contributions, and not by assessing the pews; and the hope is entertained that, through the kind and cheerful co-operation of the Pew Holders, the Committee of the Vestry will be able to announce to the Congregation on Easter Day that the whole amount has been provided for.

For the last two years the surplus revenue of the Church, over the ordinary current expenses, has been more than absorbed in necessary repairs upon the exterior of the Church Building.

The interior of the Church presents a worn out and shabby appearance, and needs a large outlay of money to put it into a thoroughly good condition. The estimated cost of all that it is desired to do to improve and beautify the Church, is more than \$12,000, but the Vestry have de-

cided not to enter upon any repairs, not absolutely necessary, until after the payment of the debt. If the Congregation, however, desire to have these improvements made sooner, and will increase their contributions to \$35,000, the additional sum, after paying for the extinguishment of the ground rents, will be applied to this purpose; and whatever further sum shall be required for the proposed improvements will be taken out of the future revenues of the Church, without calling upon the Congregation for any large additional outlay.

The payment of the debt is the first and chief object to attain; and after that, the improvement of the Church.

It affords the Committee pleasure to report that more than half the sum required to extinguish the ground rents, has already been pledged by a few persons, and if the other members of the Congregation will give according to their ability, the additional amount needed for both objects, will soon be forthcoming.

To make the payments comparatively easy, it is proposed to give contributors the option of paying their subscriptions in four semi-annual installments, in May and November of 1878 and 1879.

The Committee commend the whole subject to the favorable consideration of the Pew Holders, and will, either by a personal call or otherwise, give to all the opportunity of contributing or not, according to their circumstances or pleasure.

LEMUEL COFFIN,
ALEXANDER BROWN,
DANIEL B. CUMMINS,
ALFRED M. COLLINS,
EZRA BOWEN,
Committee.

PHILADELPHIA, MARCH, 1878.

The amount needed for the payment of this debt and the accruing interest will somewhat exceed \$30,000. The effort to secure this has been actively but quietly pursued by the Committee, who are enabled to report that thus far subscriptions to the amount of \$28,000 have been made. It is expected that the balance will be raised this Fall, and to accomplish this very desirable end, the Committee request the co-operation and aid of the congregation, and especially of those who have not yet contributed to the object.

XI.

BRIEF NOTES.

The second course of lectures on the Bohlen Foundation was delivered in the Epiphany season by the Right Rev. F. D. Huntington, S.T.D., Bishop of Central New York, and listened to with marked attention. The Rev. Phillips Brooks, D.D., of Boston, has been appointed the Lecturer for the coming year.

The repairs and improvements upon the exterior of the Church and Parish Buildings, contemplated in our last report, have been completed. All proposed improvements, upon the interior, other than necessary repairs, will be deferred until the Church debt shall have been fully provided for.

It has been decided since the issuing of the previous report, that it will, for many reasons, be better to continue the semi-annual collections at the Church for the support of the Memorial Chapel, and to devote the Easter offerings to the joint support of the Sunday Schools and Night Schools and the Free Reading Room.

The Vestry have purchased pew No. 118, in the middle aisle of the Church, which has been set apart for the use of the Bishop of the Diocese.

The Rector will take advantage of the leave of absence voted to him to make a short visit to Europe, and will resume his duties at the Church on the first Sunday of October.

XII.

RECORD OF CHURCH OFFICES.

	At the Church.	At the Chapel.	Total.
Infant Baptisms,	27	35	62
Adult Baptisms,	4	10	14
Confirmations,	26	59	85
Marriages,	7	12	19
Burials,	27	29	56

XIII.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

(Including Collections, Subscriptions and Donations.)

Communion Alms for the Poor and Special Offerings,	\$2,320 64
Reported by the Educational, Industrial and Benevolent departments,	4,603 10
From the John Bohlen Trust Fund :	
For Missionary College in China,	\$900
“ Zenana Mission in India,	600
“ John Bohlen Lectureship,	600
“ Day Nursery in this City,	150
	<hr/> 2,250 00
City Missions	1,006 24
Diocesan Missions,	675 21
Domestic Missions, including Freedmen and Indians,	2,166 13
Foreign Missions, including Mexico,	3,100 00
Church Home for Children,	3,785 00
Educational Home and Lincoln Institution for Boys,	1,580 26
Episcopal Hospital,	890 50
Christmas Fund for Disabled Clergymen,	223 97
Promotion of Christianity among the Jews,	105 26
Theological Education,	431 57
Episcopal and Convention Fund,	350 00
Support of the Holy Trinity Memorial Chapel,	3,163 60
Educational Purposes in South Carolina and Minnesota,	1,750 00
Support of the Sunday Schools of the Parish,	558 16
Collections and Subscriptions at the Memorial Chapel,	3,202 95
Miscellaneous Objects,	500 00
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Contributions,	\$32,662 59
Pew Rents received,	17,071 00
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Total,	\$49,733 59

XIV.

NOTES BY THE RECTOR.

The report now closed calls for new and grateful acknowledgment, that, in the midst of a still general depression in the community, our Parish has been able to accomplish such good work during the past year, and in this feeling the Rector cordially participates. The stated collections have generally been of the largest; while in some other directions a more than ordinary interest is apparent. Of these the increased attendance on the regular weekly and occasional services, and a tone of personal earnestness in many quarters, may be mentioned as examples indicating, as it is hoped, a quiet spiritual growth in the members of the Church, in addition to that which finds expression on the book. The hearty response with which the effort to extinguish the Church ground-rents has been met is also reassuring. The untiring devotion of many to the interest of special Missionary and benevolent departments is another happy indication of unabated life. All these and more too of the like, demands at our hands gratitude for the past and new courage for the future.

And yet, mingling with such feelings, and toning them to soberness, there must always be a certain sense of responsibility for much more that might have been done better. It cannot but be felt and urged by those who are acquainted with the inner history of the work that were there a deeper and more conscientious view of individual stewardship among the congregation generally, we should have a much fuller record to show. Serious reflection and early amendment in

the matter is humbly urged upon all, those of the five, two or even one, as well as those of the ten talents and opportunities. And let it be remembered that this can only be truly carried out by the renewed and devout consecration of ourselves, body, soul and spirit, as is required, to the Master and His service.

The Church is constantly in need of larger resources, for benevolent purposes, but above this it needs more true and undefiled religion in its members. In short, then, let the practical moral of this report be for us the provoking of a higher Christian life, and so, a greater Christian activity for the future. And to this end praying, we may confidently hope that God will crown our efforts with His best success.

That He may bless, preserve and keep you, and give you peace, is the prayer of your affectionate friend and Pastor,

WILLIAM NEILSON McVICKAR.

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Parochial Committee.

Philadelphia, June 15, 1878.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

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I.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BIBLE CLASSES of the Parish exhibit the following statistics:

AT THE CHURCH.

MAIN SCHOOL,	40 Teachers.	303 Scholars.
INFANT SCHOOL,	2 "	131 "
COLORED SCHOOL,	32 "	287 "
BIBLE CLASSES,	5 "	220 "
	79	941

AT THE MEMORIAL CHAPEL.

MAIN SCHOOL,	47 Teachers.	340 Scholars.
INFANT SCHOOL,	2 "	250 "
BIBLE CLASSES,	4 "	282 "
	53	872

Total 132 Teachers and 1813 Scholars, making the whole number of Teachers and Scholars connected with the Parish 1945.

The new general rule of the Church Schools,

adopted during the past year, to admit no more scholars living east of Broad Street, unless their parents attend the Church, while it has not in every case been strictly enforced, has somewhat diminished the number of scholars, especially in the Colored School. It is, however, in every way desirable, other things being equal, that children should attend Schools nearer to their own homes. The discipline of the Schools has been well maintained, and the attendance has been quite large and regular. Much interest has been manifested in the Bible Classes, which furnished several candidates for confirmation at the recent visitation of the Bishop of the Diocese.

The Missionary offerings of the scholars, which are entirely voluntary, have amounted to about \$800. The Christmas and Easter Festivals were celebrated by the Schools as usual, and the United Annual Service of all the Schools and Classes of the Parish at the Church on Easter-day was very largely attended, filling the entire body of the Church.

More teachers are wanted, both at the Church and Chapel, and it is hoped that this notice will be sufficient to induce many, not otherwise engaged, to offer themselves for service at the beginning of the Fall term.

II.

NIGHT SCHOOL.

THE AIM OF THIS SCHOOL, it will be remembered, is to furnish instruction, in the simple branches of education, to young women and girls whose circumstances and occupation shut them off from the ordinary chances of self-improvement. It is under the care of three

faithful and competent teachers, and is open during the Winter months to those who desire to avail themselves of its advantages.

The report of the teachers for the past season shows a roll of sixty scholars, with an average attendance of forty-five, a larger number than that of the preceding year, together with a most satisfactory record of deportment and interest. The efficient working of this School demands an annual outlay of about \$300.

III.

SEWING SCHOOL.

THE DIRECTRESS OF THE SEWING SCHOOL at the Church makes the following report for the season of 1878-9:

The School opened, November 2d, with 11 teachers and 142 scholars, and had increased to 25 teachers and 252 scholars at its close, April 26th. The attendance has been regular throughout the season. Two hundred and eighty pieces of work were finished and given to the children, besides two large quilts nearly completed and a number of pieces unfinished and retained for another season. The expenses, including the Festival at the close of the season, were \$81.41, which were met mainly by contributions from the teachers. The School is doing a good work in training the children to habits of neatness and usefulness, and also in the religious instruction given.

IV.

DORCAS SOCIETY.

THE DORCAS SOCIETY of the Church has done its good work the past year with more than its usual efficiency, and reports as follows:

<i>Receipts.</i>	
Subscriptions and donations	\$946 50
From sales of garments at cost of material	101 89
	<hr/> \$1,048 39
<i>Disbursements.</i>	
Paid for materials	446 78
" to poor women for sewing	371 91
" for shoes	119 03
" for Summer work	54 00
Cash balance on hand	56 67
	<hr/> \$1,048 39
Number of garments sold	255
" " given away	1,422
" " on hand for distribution	761
Pairs of shoes given away	97
Total	<hr/> 2,535

While the garments distributed were mostly given to the poor connected with our own Parish, many were sent to Mission Churches and other institutions.

V.

LADIES' MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

THE LADIES' MISSIONARY SOCIETY, at the Church, doing its work during the season of Lent, reports seven clergymen provided for—three in Virginia, two in Pennsylvania, one in Minnesota, and one in Kentucky. The letters which have been received, in response to the boxes of clothing sent them, have been

filled with the most heartfelt expressions of gratitude. They, one and all, after enlarging upon the appropriateness and abundance of the provision, have expressed the comfort and cheer, which this thoughtfulness of their fellow-Christians has given them.

The receipts in money have amounted to \$728.63; but the value of the boxes is always greatly enhanced by donations in made-up goods, new or slightly worn. This year the boxes were valued at \$1,250. All freight expenses were met by two gentlemen in the congregation.

VI.

PARISH LIBRARY.

Since our last report the PARISH LIBRARY has received some valuable additions to its shelves of single volumes and complete and large sets of works, donated by the Librarian and other members of the Parish, and the interest thus shown promises a still more extended growth in the future. There are now upon its shelves nearly 1700 volumes of the most carefully selected reading matter from all branches of literature.

VII.

THE WORKINGMEN'S FREE READING ROOM.

THE READING ROOM has superseded, as will be seen, "The Workingmen's Club," and is doing a wider and more useful work. Its rooms, situated on South street, above Twenty-second, are open every evening

from 7 to 10 o'clock, to all who desire to enjoy a quiet hour of profit in the perusal of its well supplied newspapers, magazines or library books, or of amusement in its innocent games. It is believed that many have thus been led to spend their evenings here which they would otherwise have spent on the street or in the street saloons. The attendance has been large, reaching at times, during the Winter, from fifty to seventy individuals. The carrying on of this very beneficent enterprise requires about \$600 a year.

VIII.

DISTRICT VISITING.

This branch of our Church work has been carried on as usual during the past year with the usual happy results, these results being the bringing of the earnest workers into immediate and personal contact with the objects of their sympathy, and so the securing of a real lasting influence for good, as well as a discriminate and wise assistance in cases of pecuniary need. A great part of our Communion Alms are distributed monthly through this channel.

IX.

THE MEMORIAL CHAPEL AND SCHOOL.

The religious work of the Chapel, with its large Sunday School and Bible Classes, has been carried on with considerable activity, notwithstanding the fact that the Chapel has been without a regular Minister since the first of the year.

On the last Sunday of the year 1878 the Rev. Mr. Edwards preached his last sermon in the Chapel, after a faithful and earnest ministry of five years, and entered upon his duties as Rector of the Church of St. Matthias, in this city, on the first Sunday in January, 1879.

The Sunday Schools and Bible Classes have been very largely attended during the last year, and the Missionary offerings show an increase over the preceding year.

The Teacher of the Women's Bible Class reports 125 on her roll, most of whom are Communicants. The Missionary Society connected with the Class met every Tuesday evening during the Winter months, and in addition to offerings of \$53 in money, made up twenty-five garments for the Episcopal Hospital, a similar number for the Home for Consumptives, and sixty-four garments for the Children's Hospital. It has also sent a box of clothing and groceries, valued at \$144, to a clergyman in Kansas. The sewing was all done by the members of the Class at their homes.

The report of the "Fuel Saving Society" connected with the Class shows \$786.85 deposited by the members and their friends to supply them during the Winter with coal at wholesale prices.

The Ladies' Sewing Society at the Chapel continued its work during the Winter, and made up and sent to the family of a faithful Missionary in Virginia two boxes of clothing, valued at about \$150.

The spiritual work of the Chapel for the year has been full of interest. Although without a settled Pastor, the congregations have been large, none of the services have been omitted, and twenty-four persons were, on the evening of April 21, confirmed by the Bishop.

The offerings of the Chapel during the year show an increase over the preceding year, and the future of the Chapel promises even greater liberality on the part of its worshipers.

The Vestry of the Church are using every effort to secure the services of an efficient Minister to carry on this most important work, and hope by the Fall to have one duly installed who will bring great activity to the work and increase its usefulness.

X.

THE CHURCH DEBT.

At the time of the last report, the Committee having this matter in charge had the pleasure of stating that \$28,000 had then been subscribed. Since then one subscription of \$250 has been received, and an invalid member of the congregation, who has recently died, very generously sent to the Wardens her check for the balance needed, \$2,750, making the total amount of all the subscriptions \$31,000, which has provided for the full discharge of the entire debt. Two of the ground rents upon the Church lot have already been extinguished, and the Deeds are now being prepared for the extinguishment of the remaining one; when all the property of the Church will be clear of debt.

XI.

BRIEF NOTES.

The third course of lectures on the Bohlen Foundation was delivered in the Lenten season by the Rev. Phillips Brooks, D.D., of Boston, to very large audi-

ences. The Very Rev. Dr. Howson, Dean of Chester Cathedral, in England, has been invited to deliver the next course.

The repairs and improvements upon the interior of the Church and Parish building adjoining, which have been postponed, awaiting the extinguishment of the Church debt, it is expected, will be entered upon the coming year. To do this work in the most satisfactory manner will require probably not less than \$15,000, which, it is believed, will be cheerfully contributed by the congregation when the matter shall be brought directly before them for action.

Mr. F. T. S. Darley, for several years the Organist and Choir Master of the Church, resigned his position last Fall, and was succeeded on the 1st of January by Mr. Michael H. Cross, Professor of Music, of this city. The services of Mr. William H. Boner, long connected with the choir, have been retained as Assistant Organist.

The organ has been put under the care of Mr. Hilborne L. Roosevelt, Organ Builder, who is now placing hydraulic engines in the cellar of the Church to supply the bellows with wind, the operation of which will be under the immediate control of the Organist, and will dispense with the ordinary manual labor.

It has been decided to change the hour of the Sunday morning services on and after the 1st of October, to 11 o'clock instead of 10½ o'clock, as heretofore.

XII.

RECORD OF CHURCH OFFICES.

	At the Church.	At the Chapel.	Total.
Infant Baptisms,	22	33	55
Adult Baptisms,	18	8	26
Confirmations,	37	24	61
Marriages,	10	4	14
Burials,	30	7	37

XIII.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

(Including Collections, Subscriptions and Donations.)

Communion Alms for the Poor,	\$1,893 09
Reported by the Educational, Industrial and Benevolent departments,	3,754 80
From the John Bohlen Trust Fund:	
For Missionary College in China,	\$900
" Zenana Mission in India,	600
" John Bohlen Lectureship,	600
" Day Nursery in this City,	150
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City Missions,	2,250 00
Diocesan Missions,	1,144 50
Domestic Missions, including Freedmen and Indians,	601 04
Foreign Missions, including Mexico,	2,136 00
Church Home for Children,	3,719 00
Educational Home and Lincoln Institution for Boys,	1,874 00
Episcopal Hospital,	1,091 00
Christmas Fund for Disabled Clergymen,	1,055 62
Promotion of Christianity among the Jews,	225 00
Theological Education,	125 00
Episcopal and Convention Fund,	583 39
Church of the Holy Apostles, to pay off debt,	350 00
Support of the Holy Trinity Memorial Chapel,	700 00
Support of the Sunday Schools and Night School,	2,440 00
Free Reading Room on South street, for Workingmen,	706 94
Collections and Subscriptions at the Memorial Chapel,	493 64
Miscellaneous and Special Objects,	3,244 28
Extinguishment of Ground Rents upon the Church lot,	1,201 20
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Contributions,	31,000 00
Pew Rents received,	\$60,588 50
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Total,	17,151 00
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	\$77,739 50

XIV.

NOTES BY THE RECTOR.

The foregoing report suggests its usual reflection of sincere gratitude and congratulation for the opportunities which another year has given our Church of doing, through its various departments, a good and important work, and for the means which have been liberally supplied for its accomplishment. Much has been given, much has been done, both within and without the boundaries of our home field, as shown on the records of our Schools, Societies, and other agencies; and much more, also, it is hoped and believed, which no record can exhibit save that "*which is written in heaven.*" As stewards of "the good things of this world," as well as of the better things of *the kingdom*, we may well be thankful for such faithfulness as we have been enabled to bring to the discharge of our office, and for the abundant results vouchsafed us.

And yet, as ever, with our sincerest gratitude must be coupled, "to keep us from being exalted above measure," a deep sense of responsibility for so much that has been left *undone* or that has been done *amiss*. The thought of each devoted worker brings to mind the *many* who ought to be *fellow-workers* with them, but are not, in spite of the oft-urged claims of work. Each dollar credited suggests the many, many more which should gratefully have found their way into God's treasury, were men conscious of their duties and privileges. Each earnest soul at God's altar, renewing its baptismal vows, consecrating its affections to its dying Saviour and His claims, only serves to re-

call the host of those who are growing up and growing old with those claims still unacknowledged or denied. Surely, we need "to ring our bells lightly," "to rejoice with trembling," as we review the register of another year. Surely, we should not lay it upon the shelf without humbly purposing to devote ourselves, if spared, more unreservedly to *the cause* for the time to come.

Let this be the result of its review, and it will have fulfilled its mission of "stirring up your pure minds by way of remembrance." Let this be the spirit born into this noble Parish of the Holy Trinity, the spirit of an *earnest, grateful realization of God's claims upon the individual life, redeemed by "the blood of the Cross,"* and other reports will exhibit a work more nearly commensurate with its real ability, while blessings and happiness, hitherto unknown, shall crown the faithful experiment. Then shall we have a holy and acceptable *worship*, not grudgingly or occasionally offered, but full and heartfelt, *whenever* opportunity is given, in "the great assembly" "*or in the upper room.*" Then shall our *alms-deeds* be no more spasmodic or capricious, but always "*as God has prospered us,*" while we shall consider no cause *foreign* to our sympathies which concerns the relief and happiness of our fellows or the advancement of *His Kingdom*. Nor shall *workers* be wanted in any department whose needs shall once have been made known. And all will be reinforced, from year to year, by the numbers who shall be helped, by the influence, prayers, and words of genuine Christian lives, to consider and accept for themselves their "part in this great matter."

Is such a condition too much to be hoped for? At

least, it must be the aim and petition of each and all who love the prosperity and peace of Zion.

"*Now the God of Peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that Great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.*"—the prayer of him who needs your prayers and co-operation—your fellow-laborer,

WILLIAM NEILSON McVICKAR,
Rector.

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Philadelphia, June 20, 1879.

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CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

PHILADELPHIA, JUNE 30, 1880.

THE PAROCHIAL COMMITTEE of the Vestry of the Church of the Holy Trinity presents to the congregation the following annual report of the Educational, Industrial, and Benevolent work of the Parish, for the year ending May 1, 1880.

I.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BIBLE CLASSES of the Parish, make the following exhibit:

AT THE CHURCH.

MAIN SCHOOL,	40 Teachers.	305 Scholars.
INFANT SCHOOL,	2 "	185 "
COLORED SCHOOL,	29 "	247 "
BIBLE CLASSES,	4 "	143 "
	<hr/> 75	<hr/> 880

AT THE MEMORIAL CHAPEL.

MAIN SCHOOL,	49 Teachers.	410 Scholars.
INFANT SCHOOL,	2 "	225 "
BIBLE CLASSES,	4 "	312 "
	<hr/> 55	<hr/> 947

Total 130 Teachers and 1827 Scholars, making the whole number of Teachers and Scholars connected with the Parish 1957. About 200 scholars attend the Schools both of the Church and of the Chapel. The Men's Bible Class of the Church has been transferred

to the Chapel and united with the Class there, the consolidated Class being under the efficient charge of the Teacher of the Church Bible Class.

The Christmas Festival was celebrated by the Schools as usual, and the annual re-union of all the Schools and Classes of the Parish at the Church on Easter Day, was an occasion of the deepest interest. The Missionary offerings amounted to nearly \$1000.

Some new and excellent teachers have come into the Schools during the past fall and winter, but there is room for more.

The Schools and Bible Classes are generally in a prosperous condition, showing in most cases an enlarged attendance and increasing interest.

II.

NIGHT SCHOOL.

THIS SCHOOL for the instruction of women and girls, whose circumstances or work shut them out from the enjoyment of other educational facilities, holds its sessions on two evenings of each week during the Fall and Winter months in the Parish building of the Church, and is under the care of three thoroughly competent female teachers.

Its report for the past season shows the admission of seventy-three (73) pupils, of whom thirty-three (33) were new ones, and the remaining forty (40) attendants during previous years. Twelve or more of these could neither read nor write, and in some instances had never been in a School before.

In addition to its former course of instruction, the experiment has been made this winter of introducing

some primary instruction in Industrial Drawing, as has been done with marked benefit in the Women's Night School in Boston, Mass., and the result so far has justified the experiment. A number of the scholars between the ages of seventeen and twenty-two have been deeply interested and have made gratifying progress in this department, and so are likely to become more valuable employees in many of our factories, as well as generally improved and refined by this simple bit of taste-culture.

This School for its maintenance requires \$300 annually.

III.

SEWING SCHOOL.

From the report of the Directress of the SEWING SCHOOL are gathered the following statistics for the past season :

Number of Teachers.....	24
" " Scholars with good average attendance.....	220
" " Pieces of work finished.....	253

These last, with the exception of some few articles donated to the Missionary Society of the Church, and to the Children's Hospital, have been distributed among the children of the School.

In addition to the instruction in the use of the needle which is given here, and which must prove of the greatest value to the scholars in their after life of toil, an opportunity is found of instilling into minds, otherwise little likely to become acquainted with them, the truths of the Gospel in its purity. Each session of the School is opened with appropriate religious exercises,

among which are the singing of children's hymns and the repetition of selected portions of Scripture.

Nor must we forget in reckoning results, the direct influence for good which comes to these children through personal contact with the noble Christian spirits who have given themselves to this work.

We have only to add that the working of this School for the past season has cost but the small sum of \$75, which has been contributed by its teachers and officers.

IV.

DORCAS SOCIETY.

THE DORCAS SOCIETY of the Church has been very active the past season, and gives the following account of its work:

<i>Receipts.</i>	
Subscriptions and donations including old balance, . . .	\$1,046 18
From sales of garments,	114 61
	<hr/> \$1,160 79
<i>Disbursements.</i>	
Paid for materials,	\$525 25
" " wages of sewing women,	370 09
" " shoes,	126 91
" " summer work,	50 00
Cash balance on hand,	88 54
	<hr/> \$1,160 79
Number of garments sold at cost of material, . . .	321
" " given away,	1,114
" " on hand for distribution, . . .	393
Pairs of shoes given away,	96
Total,	<hr/> 1,924

While the garments distributed were largely given to the poor connected with our own Parish, a larger number were sent to Mission Churches and charitable institutions.

V.

LADIES' MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

THE LADIES' MISSIONARY SOCIETY whose work it is to prepare and dispatch boxes of clothing and supplies to the families of needy ministers and missionaries in the various Dioceses and Missionary jurisdictions of our Church, has been able this year, owing to increased subscriptions and donations to extend its usually large benefactions. Nine boxes have been sent as follows: one each to Dakota, Oregon, Colorado, Missouri, Illinois, Georgia and three to Pennsylvania. The subscriptions in money to this end amounted to \$964.32, while the estimated value of the boxes is \$1735.

VI.

THE PARISH LIBRARY.

THE PARISH LIBRARY still continues to add to its shelves the latest and most interesting volumes from the religious and secular press. During the summer a new and complete catalogue of the books will be prepared, and it is hoped that in this way as well as by a more general advertisement of its facilities throughout the Parish to extend its usefulness.

VII.

THE WORKINGMEN'S FREE READING ROOM.

THE READING ROOM, situated most favorably on South street just above 22d, is intended to supply an evening resort, pleasant and profitable for those whose

spare hours might otherwise be spent on the streets or in the saloons. It has an attractive library, files of the leading daily and weekly newspapers, a stereoscope and provision for quiet, innocent games. Its records show that throughout the past year there have been 9080 visits to its rooms, with an average attendance varying from twenty to fifty, according to the season of the year, and on several occasions mounting as high as seventy or eighty. Its support requires \$600 annually.

VIII.

THE MEMORIAL CHAPEL AND SCHOOLS.

THE MEMORIAL CHAPEL was without a settled Minister until the month of October, 1879, but the congregations continued large, the pulpit being supplied by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Jaggar, Rev. Drs. Meier-Smith and Butler, Rev. Mr. Babcock and others. The Sunday collections show an increase over the corresponding time of the preceding year.

The Rev. George Franklin Bugbee, Rector of Trinity Church, Covington, Kentucky, having been unanimously called to the Memorial Chapel, entered upon his duties on the first Sunday in October, 1879, and since that time both congregations and collections have largely increased.

The Sunday Schools and Bible Classes are in a flourishing condition, and the average attendance has been larger than last year. They number 1002 on the roll. The Missionary offerings of the same for the year amounted to \$500.39.

The Men's Bible Class under its efficient Teacher

numbers 150 men, and the two Bible Classes for Young Ladies have been well attended.

The Teacher of the Woman's Bible Class reports 125 members on the roll. The Missionary offerings of the class in money have amounted to \$52.43. Its Missionary Society during the winter months have made up and sent to the Episcopal Hospital thirty garments, to the Children's Hospital fifty garments, and to the Home for Consumptives thirty garments.

The coal fund deposited by the members of the class and their friends for purchasing coal during the winter at wholesale prices amounted to \$884.50.

The Missionary Aid Society sent a box of clothing, valued at \$120, to a clergyman in Kansas, the work of its members during the summer months.

The Ladies' Sewing Circle met weekly during the winter months, and made up and sent a box of clothing, valued at about \$150, to a Missionary in Virginia.

The machinery of the Memorial Chapel is working most admirably under its present efficient Minister, and the spiritual work is not lacking in its former vigor. The large congregation, Sunday School and Bible Classes, and increased collections indicate that in time the work will be more largely self-supporting, and that Holy Trinity Memorial Chapel is destined to be an important factor in Church work.

IX.

CHURCH IMPROVEMENTS.

The debt of the Church having been entirely paid off, and the Vestry having determined to carry out the

long contemplated renovation and improvement of the interior of the Church, appointed a Special Committee to take the matter in charge, with full power to carry out the proposed alterations. This Committee issued the following circular:

THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

PHILADELPHIA, MAY 10, 1880.

To the Pew-Holders and Members of the Congregation:

The Vestry, after a full consideration of the necessity for renovating the interior of the Church, have determined to adopt certain plans and alterations submitted by competent architects, after long and careful study. The carrying out of the plans, it is felt, will meet the full approbation of all who desire to see the Church brought up to the best standard of taste and convenience. These plans will embrace such alterations as the following:—The beautifying and enlargement of the Chancel; the introduction of new windows, giving better light; new and improved gas fixtures; a more efficient system of ventilation; the re-upholstering of the pews; the appropriate decoration of the walls and ceiling, together with other kindred improvements.

To properly carry out these plans will involve an outlay of about \$20,000. It is also thought advisable to raise an additional sum of \$5,000 for the renovation and improvement of the Parish Building and the alteration of the stairs connected therewith, making them safer and more convenient; also to thoroughly repair and revoice the organ, etc. The Committee having charge of the matter present this brief statement to the pew-holders and members of the congregation, with the confident hope that they will individually and cheerfully contribute toward raising the needed amount, it being understood that the sums contributed shall be paid at the convenience of the subscribers at any time within the next three or four months, or before the 1st of October. It is important, however, that the

whole subscription should be completed at the earliest possible day.

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Committee.

I most cordially commend the foregoing to the earnest consideration of the congregation for their individual action.

WM. NEILSON McVICKAR, *Rector.*

The Committee are happy to report that the appeal has been received with general favor and is being generously responded to, and there is every prospect that the whole amount of money needed will be secured.

Since issuing the circular the Committee have decided that it would be better to take out the old pews and put in new, walnut, pews of approved shape, with wider and more comfortable seats.

All the alterations and improvements of the Church will be carried out under the supervision of Mr. Henry Van Brunt, of Boston, and Mr. James P. Sims, of this city, who have been appointed joint-architects. It is hoped that the work with all be done in time to reopen the Church in the month of October.

The difficulty and great expense attending the alteration of the action and other parts of the present organ, which are very defective, and the doubt whether, in the end, the organ will give satisfaction, have decided the Vestry, as a matter of true economy, to dispose of the old organ and contract with Mr. Hilborne L. Roosevelt, organ builder, for the building of a new and im-

proved instrument, which will probably be completed and put up in the Church in time to be used next Easter or soon thereafter. An additional fund will be raised for this purpose.

One of the most important features of the Church improvement will be the chime of Bells, for the purchase of which Mr. Joseph E. Temple, of this city, has made generous provision, to the extent of ten thousand dollars; the bells to be placed in the tower as a memorial of his wife, Martha Anna Kirtley, deceased, an early member and communicant of the Parish.

It should be here said that the conditions for the use of bells in this case are most favorable, owing to the great height of the belfry, overtopping all surrounding buildings, and its situation opposite a large open square. It will be the effort of the Vestry to procure bells of such sweetness of tone as to make them a welcome addition to the neighborhood.

X.

JOHN BOHLEN LECTURESHIP.

The fourth course of lectures on the BOHLEN FOUNDATION was delivered this year, by the Very Rev. Dr. Howson, Dean of Chester Cathedral, England, to large and interested audiences. The Right Rev. Thomas U. Dudley, D.D., Assistant Bishop of Kentucky, has been appointed to deliver the next course.

XI.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

(Including Collections, Subscriptions and Donations.)

Communion Alms for the Poor,	\$1,669 96
Special for Benevolent purposes,	856 17
Reported by the Educational, Industrial and Benevolent Departments, 3,720 14	
From the John Bohlen Trust Fund:	
For St. John's College in China,	\$900
" Zenana Mission in India,	600
" John Bohlen Lectureship,	600
" The Day Nursery of Philadelphia,	150
	<hr/> \$2,250 00
To City Missions and Home for Consumptives,	1,502 02
" Domestic Missions, including Freedmen and Indians,	1,796 08
" Foreign Missions, including Mexico,	4,286 77
" Diocesan Missions,	579 18
" Church Home for Children,	1,692 07
" Educational Home and Lincoln Institution for Boys,	1,209 92
" Episcopal Hospital,	1,141 88
" Christmas Fund for Disabled Clergymen,	334 50
" Disabled Clergymen, and Widows and Orphans, special,	200 00
" Society for promoting Christianity among the Jews,	120 00
" Bishop White Prayer Book Society,	65 00
" Theological Education,	407 88
" Episcopal and Convention Fund,	350 00
" Support of the Sunday Schools and Night School,	929 00
" Support of Free Reading Room for Workingmen,	432 62
" Support of the Holy Trinity Memorial Chapel in part,	2,512 71
" Miscellaneous and Special Objects,	2,400 00
	<hr/> \$28,455 90
Reported by the Holy Trinity Memorial Chapel:	
Collections for current expenses,	\$2,765 40
Communion Alms for the Poor,	385 75
Contributions for Missionary and other Objects, 1,003 28	4,154 43
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Total contributions,	32,610 33
Pew-rents received,	17,528 00
	<hr/>
Total contributions and Pew-rents,	\$50,138 33

XII.

RECORD OF CHURCH OFFICES.

	At the Church.	At the Chapel.	Total.
Infant Baptisms,	32	53	85
Adult Baptisms,	6	6	12
Confirmations,	19	20	39
Marriages,	25	4	29
Burials,	31	12	43

XIII.

NOTES BY THE RECTOR.

Such is the record of the work of another year, which the Church of the Holy Trinity has been enabled to accomplish both within and without her immediate boundaries. No one should read it without a feeling of humble gratitude to Him of whose only gift it is that His faithful people do true and laudable service to Him or their fellow-men.

It is good to think that so much has been accomplished—so many little ones taught God's love in the many schools—so much done to spread His Kingdom in our own land and on the far shores of heathendom—so many perplexed and struggling lives helped and strengthened by the kind sympathy and substantial aid of their more fortunate brethren—so many young and old gathered into the Master's fold—and so much more, beyond the power of statistics or figures to indicate—seeds sown which only future harvests shall own, which perchance shall never be known until the great angel with his golden sickle comes to reap down earth's fields. Surely we may

rejoice that God's glory has been forwarded and man's welfare advanced by our work—while we ourselves have been blessed in the doing of it. My dear brethren, I heartily congratulate you, and rejoice with you, in such a record.

But let us "rejoice with trembling." The field is wide and white, and we have been permitted to enter into it and to carry away a few precious sheaves. How noble they look as they lie at our feet at eventide. But as we think of them and count them over, let us look back at the great *unreaped* acres lest we grow complacent or satisfied with our little prize. How small they seem as compared with what we might have shown. Let us call to mind, too, the standard by which Christ measures human deeds—the *talents*, the *ability*, with which we have been entrusted, before we dare feel that we have been more than very unprofitable servants. What, if, while we are indulging in self-gratulation, He should be saying, as He said one day in the Temple when He saw the multitude casting their gifts into the treasury—"they of their abundance" *have wrought something*; while of many another Church, which can sum up no such columns, "*She hath done more than they all*." Such a thought will not make us less humbly grateful for what has been accomplished; while it may and should, make us doubly resolved to consecrate ourselves anew, "body, soul and spirit," our efforts, and our means, to His service, "who for our sakes became poor, that we through His poverty might be made rich."

So much for the practical work and the spirit which should grow out of it and inspire it. But there is another element in our Church life, cognate with this

and which never should be separated from it, to which I want once more to call your earnest attention; and this is, the cultivation of a true spiritual worship.

Christian *work* must always be the concomitant of Christian *worship*. Christian *worship* must be the *stimulant* of Christian work. Apart from each other, the one loses its distinctive character, or else grows cold and mechanical; the other becomes ephemeral or formal. It is the earnest *worshiper*, whose heart has been kindled anew at the throne of God, whose hand is ready for any and every good work. And it is the earnest *worker* who, feeling the imperfection of his best doing and the dulling influence of mere *toil*, longs for the rest and fresh inspiration of the *hour of prayer*. Let us then, while we consecrate ourselves to new effort, also determine to cultivate a deeper spiritual worship.

When we meet again it will be in a Church renovated and made beautiful, as we trust, for the worship of God. And this anticipation should be full of happiness to those "who love the place where His honor dwelleth." But this too, only emphasizes the responsibility resting upon us, of keeping the *life* always in advance of the *forms* which express it, the vitality and fruit, ahead of mere leafage. Otherwise the outer beauty and luxury will only mock and condemn us.

One word and I have done. Let us ever remember the relationship of the *Church* to the *individual* life of the Christian—that, to carry out the same figure, its strength and reality will depend upon the strength and reality which individual lives bring to it, just as the trunk and fruit of the tree depend upon

the vitality which its roots, down to the smallest, bring to it. The Church is ready to bless and help our lives, but its power will depend in turn upon the sincerity and truth of those lives. Lives must be at both ends of it.

If these reflections help us, ever so little, to review and acknowledge our responsibilities, and to determine to fulfill them better in the future than in the past, they will not have been made in vain.

Praying that "the Giver of every good and perfect gift" may bless you all and in every way, my dear brethren, and, asking your sympathy and prayers in return for myself and our common work,

I remain your affectionate friend and pastor,

WILLIAM NEILSON McVICKAR.

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CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

PHILADELPHIA, MAY 31, 1882.

THE PAROCHIAL COMMITTEE of the Vestry of the Church of the Holy Trinity presents to the congregation the following annual report of the Educational and Benevolent work of the Parish, for the year ending May 1, 1882.

I.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BIBLE CLASSES of the Parish show the following statistics:

AT THE CHURCH.

MAIN SCHOOL,	40 Teachers.	302 Scholars.
INFANT SCHOOL,	2 "	178 "
COLORED SCHOOL,	25 "	245 "
BIBLE CLASSES,	4 "	177 "
	71	902

AT THE MEMORIAL CHAPEL.

MAIN SCHOOL,	47 Teachers.	375 Scholars.
INFANT SCHOOL,	3 "	227 "
BIBLE CLASSES,	4 "	272 "
	54	874

Total 125 Teachers and 1776 Scholars, making in all 1901 Teachers and Scholars connected with the Parish. Many of the Scholars, 200 or more, are attendants of both Schools.

The Missionary offerings during the year have amounted to more than \$1200. The attendance, discipline and interest of the Schools have been well maintained.

II.

NIGHT SCHOOLS.

THE NIGHT SCHOOL FOR GIRLS has held its sessions twice a week from the first of November to the first of April. Opening with thirty Scholars, its numbers soon increased to eighty, whose large average attendance and deep interest, have given the best indication of its need and usefulness.

THE NIGHT SCHOOL FOR BOYS is a new feature of our work, which was opened as an experiment, late in the year; but, which from its immediate success, promises to be in the future one of the most active and beneficent institutions of the Parish.

The cost of carrying on both of these Schools is about \$750 per annum.

III.

SEWING SCHOOL.

THE Directress of the SEWING SCHOOL makes the following report for the season just ended:

Number of Teachers.....	23
" " Scholars.....	202
" " Pieces of work finished.....	220

The attendance at the weekly sessions on Saturday has been quite regular and a good degree of interest was kept up throughout the season. The most of the work finished was given to the children, while a few pieces were sent to the Ladies' Missionary Society of the Church. The expenses of the School and closing Festival have cost about \$70, contributed mainly by the Teachers.

IV.

DORCAS SOCIETY.

THE DORCAS SOCIETY of the Church has maintained its usual efficiency and interest, and done a large amount of work as shown by the following report:

Receipts.

Subscriptions and donations, including old balance, . . .	\$1,178 31
From sales of garments at cost of material,	169 39
	—————\$1,347 70

Payments.

Paid for materials,	\$601 73
" " sewing,	488 10
" " shoes,	123 92
" " summer work,	55 00
Cash balance on hand,	78 95
	—————\$1,347 70

Number of garments given away,	1,385
" " sold,	432
" " on hand for distribution,	215
Pairs of shoes given away,	100
Total,	2,132

Of the garments made, 617 were given to other Churches, and 182 to the small pox sufferers at South Bethlehem, Penna.

V.

LADIES' MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

THIS SOCIETY was actively and zealously engaged in its work through the season of Lent, and reports the following results: Ten boxes of clothing and house supplies have been sent to Missionaries in Illinois, Minnesota, Nebraska, Iowa, Virginia, Maryland, Delaware and Pennsylvania.

The subscriptions in money amounted to \$1132.33, while the value of the boxes is estimated at \$1666.50.

In addition, \$20 was received for the Fanny C. Pad-dock Memorial Hospital, in Washington Territory, and \$53 towards the support of two nurses in the Hospital of the Good Samaritan, Portland, Oregon. Total contributions through the Society, \$1739.50.

The Society proposes issuing a leaflet in regard to its work at the beginning of its next season.

VI.

THE PARISH LIBRARY.

THE PARISH LIBRARY still continues to add to its catalogue some of the latest and best issues of the press, and again invites the congregation to a larger enjoyment of its advantages.

VII.

THE MEMORIAL CHAPEL AND SCHOOLS.

THE usual activity continues in this department of the work of the Parish.

The Sunday Schools and Bible Classes and the congregations are still large, and show continued interest in the work of the Chapel.

The Nineteenth Anniversary of the Sunday Schools was recently held, when the building was crowded and the services were of an interesting character.

The Missionary Society and the Summer Missionary Aid Society, both connected with the Woman's Bible Class, together with the Ladies' Sewing Society, made up and sent off several boxes of clothing to Western Missionaries.

The subscriptions to the coal fund have amounted to \$687.40.

The collections at the Memorial Chapel, for its own support, have amounted to \$2081.41; the Communion alms for the poor, \$200.70; and contributions for Missionary and other objects, \$1346.46. Total \$3628.57.

VIII.

RECORD OF CHURCH OFFICES.

	At the Church.	At the Chapel.	Total.
Infant Baptisms,	34	45	79
Adult Baptisms,	9	2	11
Confirmations,	32	31	63
Marriages,	15	12	27
Burials,	38	25	63

IX.

CONTRIBUTIONS

(Including Collections, Subscriptions and Donations)

For the year ending May 1st, 1882.

Communion Alms for the Poor, and special donations,	\$3,144 01	
Reported by the Educational, Industrial and Benevolent Departments, 4,186 12		
From the John Bohlen Trust Fund:		
For St. John's College in China,	\$750 00	
" Zenana Mission in India,	500 00	
" John Bohlen Lectureship,	500 00	
" The Day Nursery of Philadelphia,	125 00	1,875 00
For City Missions and Home for Consumptives,		1,898 45
" Domestic Missions, including Freedmen and Indians,		2,576 92
" Foreign Missions, including Mexico,		4,550 57
" Diocesan Missions,		604 82
" American Church Building Fund,		455 48
" Church Home for Children,		1,538 05
" Educational Home and Lincoln Institution for Boys,		1,939 05
" Episcopal Hospital,		1,514 25
" Christmas Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen,		500 00
" Society for Promoting Christianity among the Jews,		127 00
" Deaf-Mute Mission,		150 00
" Theological Education,		710 00
" Episcopal and Convention Fund,		350 00
" Support of the Sunday Schools and Night Schools,		1,102 39
" Support of the Free Reading Room for Workingmen,		603 64
" Support of Holy Trinity Memorial Chapel in part,		2,534 97
" Michigan Sufferers,		636 53
" Miscellaneous and Special Objects outside the Parish,		8,250 00
		<u>\$39,247 25</u>
Reported by the Holy Trinity Memorial Chapel:		
Collections for current expenses,	\$2,081 41	
Communion Alms for the Poor,	200 70	
Contributions for Missionary and other Objects,	1,346 46	3,628 57
Total contributions,		42,875 82
Pew-rents received at the Church,		17,168 00
Total contributions and Pew-rents,		<u>\$60,043 82</u>

X.

BRIEF NOTES.

THE Sixth Course of Lectures on the John Bohlen Foundation, will be delivered this year during Advent Season, by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Harris, of Michigan.

RECENT advices from Belgium give us every assurance that the long expected Chime of Bells, being cast in that country for the tower of our Church, will be completed and in position before the close of the year.

THE Rev. James C. Craven, for several years the Rector's Assistant, resigned his position last autumn to engage in labors elsewhere. Mr. Craven took great interest in the Sunday School work of our Parish, and in many ways made himself very useful. He carries with him our best wishes for his future success in any department of Christian duty in which he may be engaged.

THE Rev. Walter Jordan has since been appointed Rector's Assistant and is now actively engaged in his work.

WE regret to be obliged to record in this report the sudden death, on the 20th inst., of Mr. James P. Sims, a well-known member of our congregation, one of the architects of our Memorial Buildings, and so prominently connected with the late alterations and improvements of the Church. He ranked high in his profession, while at the same time his Christian character and many estimable and amiable qualities endeared him to every circle in which he moved.

RECTOR'S NOTES.

It will hardly be necessary for the Rector to assure the parishioners of Holy Trinity of the deep personal interest, with which he commends to their consideration the foregoing record of good and successful work.—All work done in the cause of man and for the furtherance of Christ's Kingdom on earth is certain of finding an interest in every Christian heart, and needs no apology for humbly publishing its results. But to none will such results be more welcome than to those who have had the privilege of contributing to their production. Surely, remembering the words of Jesus, it must be reason for blessed satisfaction to reflect on all the help and hope which we have been enabled, directly or indirectly, to extend to poverty, to ignorance, to suffering, even though found in the least of His many brethren; as well as to the spreading of His Spiritual truth in our midst, or in dark and distant places of our world. Of such work the record has much to show, while it can only suggest the deeper unseen work which is going on in the hearts and lives of men, and which will only be known when the *Book of Life* is opened. Let us thank God for it all—and for our little individual part in it.—But, above all, let it be an inspiration to new and more devoted endeavour in time to come. So only will *the past* fulfil its highest end in *the future*. To every earnest soul there must seem room for such new purpose. None can claim that they have done all which Christ has a right to ask of them. Many must feel how absolutely they have failed to reach even the minimum of Christian requirement.

In our nobly working Church, how few there are among the many "who call themselves Christians," who "willingly offer themselves!" Upon how few does the burden of practical work seem to fall! How few seem to feel any responsibility, indeed, in the matter, beyond that of an occasional and formal attendance upon services or a mite contribution to the offertory.

The Gospel of Jesus calls for a complete consecration of ourselves and of our means. That consecration we are supposed to have made. How are we fulfilling it? Let the question humble, and at the same time quicken us, while we remember that the best work must always be of the nature of *fruit out of a true and deep life*, "hid with Christ in God." That is the root and source which must be cultivated and enriched before acceptable fruit shall be found.

Let the coming year then show an enlarged Church-work, wrought by enlarged *individual* co-operation, and that, the result of a deeper, and more earnest spiritual life.

That God may further and crown every purpose and effort in the right direction, as He most surely will; blessing, comforting and keeping His servants now and always, is the prayer and confidence of

Your devoted friend,

W. N. McVICKAR, *Rector*.

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Philadelphia, May 31, 1882.

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I.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL and BIBLE CLASSES of the Parish show the following statistics:

AT THE CHURCH.

MAIN SCHOOL	40 Teachers.	301 Scholars.
INFANT SCHOOL.....	2 " 154 "	
COLORED SCHOOL.....	26 " 255 "	
BIBLE CLASSES.....	4 " 165 "	
	<hr/> 72	<hr/> 875

AT THE MEMORIAL CHAPEL.

MAIN SCHOOL.....	45 Teachers.	330 Scholars.
INFANT SCHOOL.....	3 " 225 "	
BIBLE CLASSES.....	5 " 301 "	
	<hr/> 53	<hr/> 856

Total, 125 Teachers and 1731 Scholars, making in all 1856 Teachers and Scholars connected with the Parish. Many of the Scholars, more than 200, attend both Schools.

The Missionary and other offerings of the Schools during the year have exceeded \$1500. The Easter celebration of the Schools and Classes of the Parish, at the Church, brought together nearly all the Teachers and Scholars, making it a very happy occasion and giving evidence of the large and important work done in this department.

II.

THE NIGHT SCHOOLS.

THE NIGHT SCHOOL FOR GIRLS has gone on as usual, doing its quiet but important work during the Winter months, under its efficient and devoted management. More than sixty pupils have been enrolled, and it has held forty-two sessions, with an average attendance of thirty, which would be much larger were it not for the fact that some of the pupils are so circumstanced as to be able to attend but one session a week, or, as in some cases, only on alternate weeks.

THE NIGHT SCHOOL FOR BOYS, which, it will be remembered, was begun a little more than a year ago and which holds its sessions at the Memorial Chapel, has more than realized the anticipations of its inaugurators. Eighty-three Scholars have been admitted during the term, of whom twenty left, and nine have been expelled. Three thoroughly competent Teachers from our Public Schools have conducted its instructions and report most satisfactory results. Several of the

pupils have received the highest possible marks throughout the term, while twenty-two have reached an average of ninety-five or more out of the maximum of a hundred marks. The influence of even a short period of culture has been a very marked one upon the appearance and manners of the pupils.

Seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750) are required for the maintenance of these Schools.

III.

THE SEWING SCHOOL.

THE Directress of the SEWING SCHOOL at the Church makes the following report for the past season :

Number of Teachers.....	21
" " Scholars.....	189
Average attendance.....	150

Of the nearly 250 pieces of work finished, a few of the larger ones were given to the Ladies' Missionary Society, while the others were distributed among the children. The attendance at the weekly sessions on Saturday morning has been very regular and the deportment of the children has given evidence of their interest in the School.

The Expenses of the School and closing Festival amounted to \$68.74, met by contributions, mostly from the Teachers.

IV.

THE DORCAS SOCIETY.

THE DORCAS SOCIETY of the Church, under its efficient management and with the hearty aid of its many co-workers, has done a most excellent work and makes the following report:

Receipts.

Subscriptions and donations, including old balance.....	\$1,116 70
From sales of garments at cost of material.....	171 64
	—————\$1,288 34

Payments.

Paid for materials.....	\$596 19
“ Women for sewing.....	494 70
“ for shoes.....	139 65
“ “ summer work.....	55 00
Cash balance on hand.....	2 80
	—————\$1,288 34
Garments given away.....	1,065
“ sold.....	527
“ on hand for distribution.....	313
Pairs of shoes given away.....	107
	—————
Total.....	2,012

A large number of the garments were given to Mission and Charitable Institutions.

V.

THE LADIES' MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

THE work of this Society the past year shows, nine boxes of clothing and house supplies have been sent to Missionaries in Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, Illinois, New Hampshire and Pennsylvania.

The subscriptions in money, including \$55 annual contribution toward the support of two nurses in the Hospital of the Good Samaritan at Portland, Oregon, have amounted to \$1205.53, while the value of the Missionary boxes was \$1794.85. The many grateful letters received from the recipients of these benefactions more than testify to the usefulness and importance of this good work.

VI.

THE PARISH LIBRARY.

NEW BOOKS are constantly being added to the catalogue of this Library, which deserves a larger use than it has hitherto had made of it.

VII.

THE MEMORIAL CHAPEL.

IN addition to the very satisfactory returns from the Sunday School and Night School connected with the Chapel, as already given, we are able to report the usual and successful prosecution of the general work of this department, as evidenced by the numbers of those who are in constant attendance upon its services, and of those who have been brought to a personal realization and profession of religion through its influence. The adult Bible Classes, always an interesting and useful feature of the work, have more than

maintained their own during the year through the faithfulness of their respective teachers.

The *Missionary Society of the Women's Bible Class* report the following donations :

Subscription for Parish Visitors.....	\$11 00
Gifts to the McAll Mission.....	10 50
Missionary Box to Bishop Hare's field.....	81 08
Sewing, valued at.....	57 25
Total.....	\$159 83

One hundred and eleven garments, made by the class, were distributed to *The Children's Hospital, The Episcopal Hospital* and *The Home for Consumptives*.

THE INDUSTRIAL SOCIETY, organized April 9th, 1882, and beginning its work on the 1st November, reports employment given to fourteen poor women, many orders filled and garments distributed.

Moneys received in donation and for orders.....	\$210 73
Paid for material and sewing.....	132 56
Balance on hand.....	\$ 78 17

The object of this Society is to furnish work to house-keepers, members of the Chapel, who have a few spare hours during the week to sew in. Donations in money or material for the Society will be thankfully received by Miss Emma E. Baker, Treasurer, No. 2012 Locust street, or Mrs. M. M. Norris, Secretary, No. 2227 Trinity place.

The collections at the Chapel during the year for its own support have been \$2002.30. Contributions to missionary, charitable and other objects through the offertory and various associations, including the Sunday Schools, have been \$2168.29.

VIII.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

(Including Collections, Subscriptions and Donations.)

For the year ending May 1, 1883.

Communion Alms for the Poor, and special donations.....	\$2,464 60
Reported by the Educational, Industrial and Benevolent Departments, 4,706 93	
From the John Bohlen Trust Fund :	
For St. John's College in China.....	\$750 00
" Zenana Mission in India.....	500 00
" John Bohlen Lectureship.....	500 00
" Day Nursery of Philadelphia	125 00
	1,875 00
From Legacies bequeathed by the late Miss Caroline Colhoun :	
For the Holy Trinity Memorial Chapel.....	\$812 27
" the Parish work of the Church.....	812 27
	1,624 54
For City Missions and Home for Consumptives.....	1,737 05
" Diocesan Missions.....	1,264 43
" Domestic Missions, including Freedmen and Indians.....	2,667 20
" Foreign Missions, including Mexico.....	3,675 05
" St. John's College Medical School in China.....	6,000 00
" American Church Building Fund.....	2,000 00
" Episcopal Hospital.....	1,791 10
" Church Home for Children.....	1,391 18
" Educational Home, and Lincoln Institution for Boys.....	753 18
" Church of the Crucifixion, Philadelphia, for Building Fund, &c....	1,818 25
" Deaf-Mute Mission.....	200 00
" Christmas Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen.....	251 77
" Theological Education.....	725 18
" Episcopal and Convention Fund.....	350 00
" Support of the Sunday Schools and Night Schools, &c.....	1,002 28
" Support of the Holy Trinity Memorial Chapel, in part.....	2,397 50
" Miscellaneous objects outside the Parish.....	1,610 50
	\$40,305 74
Reported by the Holy Trinity Memorial Chapel :	
Collections for current expenses.....	\$2,002 30
Communion Alms for the Poor.....	204 59
Contributions for Missionary and other objects.....	1,963 70 4,170 59
Total Contributions.....	\$44,476 33
Pew-rents received at the Church.....	17 252 00
Total Contributions and Pew-rents.....	\$61,728 33

IX.

RECORD OF CHURCH OFFICES.

	At the Church.	At the Chapel.	Total.
Infant Baptisms.....	27	51	78
Adult Baptisms.....	3	4	7
Confirmations.....	35	31	66
Marriages.....	17	8	25
Burials.....	24	31	55

X.

THE PARISH BUILDING.

It has been decided to make material alterations and improvements in the Parish Building, and the work will go on while preparing the Building for the use of the House of Bishops during the sessions of the General Convention which is to meet in our Church in October.

The larger part of the third floor will be removed, leaving a small room across each end of that story. The Main School will be brought down to the second floor, which will also be used, as heretofore, for the weekly lectures. This room will have a ceiling thirty feet high, which will be surmounted by a dome or lantern lighted on all four sides by stained glass windows. The work will be completed in September, and will add greatly to the comfort and beauty of the interior of the building. The whole cost, including new and suitable furniture, will probably amount to over \$4000, which, it is hoped, will be provided for by special contributions. The alterations will be made, under the supervision of George W. Hewitt, the Architect of the Church, by A. A. Catanach, Builder.

XI.

BRIEF NOTES.

THE seventh course of Lectures on the John Bohlen Foundation will be delivered this year, during Advent season, by the Rev. A. V. G. Allen, Professor in the Protestant Episcopal Seminary at Cambridge, Mass.

By the time this Report is in the hands of its readers it is confidently expected that the long-awaited Bells, which Mr. Temple has given to the Church, will be in their place and speaking for themselves.

It will be a matter of deep interest to the Parish to know that during the present year the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6000), has been donated by a few of its zealous members toward the establishment of *St. John's College Medical School* in China, for the education of native physicians and surgeons and the training of native nurses.

XII.

THE RECTOR'S NOTES.

THE summing up of a year's work, and that work one whose material and results are human hearts and human lives, must always be a solemn thing, suggesting as it does, the deepest personal responsibility that can be laid upon man. If the noblest song of Heaven be inspired by the thought of the Royal Priesthood into

which Christ has called His followers, and if its highest rewards will be theirs who have best fulfilled that holy office, while bitterest disappointment await them who have failed in its discharge, certainly every day and every hour, with their recurring opportunities of service, become fraught with a new and unspeakable interest. The smallest period, the most trivial deed, catches something of the light or darkness which will some day fall on the total life. "Naked and ye clothed me," "sick and ye visited me," "inasmuch as ye did it unto one of the least of these,"—these poor ones, these little ones, whom ye have taught, and comforted, and helped, and, above all else, led into the way of life,—“ye have done it unto me,” this is the benediction of a blessed ministry. What gratitude, and happiness should not each recorded act helping to make up that ministry, arouse, in our hearts, while regret and shame clothe the memory of the many more not done, which would have been done, had we redeemed each golden opportunity.

And surely such must be the feelings with which we recall our share in the Annual Record of our Parish work. Gratitude, regret, a new purpose, that should be the order. The year past has been a good one. Much has been done, thank God! to the lightening of poverty, the alleviation of suffering, the building of human character, more than any table of statistics can possibly show; but how *little* that *much* is, beside the work which such a parish as ours ought to do, were every *nominal* Christian and member thoroughly consecrated to his or her mission and priesthood!

And, dear friends, why should not this be the case? Nay, why should we be satisfied, any more than

Heaven is satisfied, with less than this? Let us once more, then, taking the lesson which this report of the *past* should teach us, strive to realize the possibilities which still are granted us in the *future*, and with prayer, determination, and a living faith, throw ourselves into its new opportunities. That God may be with us and bless us in the effort in the future, as He has in the past, is the prayer of

Your devoted friend,

W. N. McVICKAR, *Rector*.

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Philadelphia, June 30, 1883.

THE HOLY TRINITY CHIME.

THE long-looked-for Chime of 25 Bells, the generous gift of Mr. Joseph E. Temple, cast at the celebrated Foundry of Severin Van Aerschodt, at Louvain, Belgium, arrived at this port in the steamer *Zeeland* from Antwerp, on the 18th of July, and preparations were immediately made to transport them to the Church and place them in position in the tower.

The frame work to support the bells was made in Belgium of heavy oak wood. The attachment connecting the clappers of the bells with the key-board was made under the supervision of a skilled machinist, sent over to this country by the founder to superintend the work.

DESCRIPTION OF THE BELLS.

No.	1, tone F,	weighing 1,313	kilogrammes or 2,895	pounds.
" 2,	" G,	" 1,007 ½	" 2,221 ½	"
" 3,	" A,	" 636	" 1,402 ½	"
" 4,	" A ♯,	" 530	" 1,168 ½	"
" 5,	" B,	" 456	" 1,005 ½	"
" 6,	" C,	" 383	" 844 ½	"
" 7,	" C ♯,	" 294 ½	" 649 ½	"
" 8,	" D,	" 262 ½	" 579	"
" 9,	" D ♯,	" 226	" 498	"
" 10,	" E,	" 172 ½	" 381	"
" 11,	" F,	" 162 ½	" 358	"
" 12,	" F ♯,	" 129	" 285	"
" 13,	" G,	" 118 ½	" 261	"
" 14,	" G ♯,	" 86 ½	" 191	"
" 15,	" A,	" 79	" 174	"
" 16,	" A ♯,	" 75	" 165	"
" 17,	" B,	" 61	" 134 ½	"
" 18,	" C,	" 62	" 137	"
" 19,	" C ♯,	" 51 ½	" 113 ½	"
" 20,	" D,	" 69	" 152	"
" 21,	" D ♯,	" 39	" 86	"
" 22,	" E,	" 34 ½	" 76	"
" 23,	" F,	" 35 ½	" 78	"
" 24,	" F ♯,	" 31	" 68	"
" 25,	" G,	" 26	" 58	"

Total weight, 6,341 kilogrammes or 13,982 pounds.

The larger bells have a medallion likeness of Mr. and Mrs. Temple cast upon them, and also the following inscription :

"PRESENTED TO

THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

PHILADELPHIA.

BY JOSEPH E. TEMPLE

IN MEMORY OF HIS WIFE

MARTHA ANNA KIRTLEY

BORN IN ENGLAND, MAY 11, 1821

DIED IN PHILADELPHIA, DEC. 7, 1864."

CAST BY SEVERIN VAN AERSCHODT, LOUVAIN, BELGIUM, 1882.

The Foundry of Mr. Van Aerschodt has been in existence in the same family for many generations, and a very large number of the best Carillons in Europe have been cast at this celebrated establishment. This in itself is a good guarantee of the perfection and beauty of the bells, which is fully borne out by the trial we have given them. The Church, in order to place the character of the Bells beyond question, appointed Doctor John Stainer, Her Majesty's Inspector of Music, and Organist of St. Paul's Cathedral in London, as an expert to test the bells in behalf of the Church. He very kindly accepted the appointment. It is proper to say in this connection that there is no higher musical authority in England than Doctor Stainer, and it affords us great satisfaction and pleasure to make the following copy of his testimonial in relation to the Bells:

COPY OF DOCTOR STAINER'S TESTIMONIAL.

LOUVAIN, BELGIUM, June 25, 1883.

I have pleasure in saying that I have tested the Carillon of 25 bells cast by Mr. Severin Van Aerschodt for Holy Trinity Church, Philadelphia, and that they are of *beautiful tone and in good tune*. The excellence of their design and workmanship are fully up to the high standard of their famous founder, and they will be a lasting pleasure to the city where they are to be placed.

(Signed) JOHN STAINER, M.A.,
*Mus. Doc. Oxon., Hon. R.A.M., H. M. Inspector of Music,
 Organist of St. Paul's Cathedral, London.*

The bells, as works of art, are symmetrical and beautiful, and in tone are very sweet and melodious. They are hung in the belfry at a height of one hundred and ten feet above the street, far above all the surrounding buildings, making them, when rung, free from all reverberation.

The beauty and melody of the bells will make them pleasant and attractive in the neighborhood surrounding the Church, and will, it is believed, disarm all prejudice which, otherwise, might be raised against them. It is not intended to ring the bells at unusual or early hours. They will be rung before Morning and Evening Service on Sundays and other holy days and holidays, and at weddings and other suitable occasions. The regular ringing of the bells will be inaugurated at the meeting of the General Convention which assembles in our Church on Wednesday, October 3. They will be rung daily during the sessions of the Convention.

It is hoped that within a few months the bells will be connected with a key-board in the organ loft, by an electric attachment. This will add greatly to the ease and comfort of ringing them and will produce better musical effects.

L. C.

Philadelphia, September 6, 1883.

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I.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

THE Roll of the SUNDAY SCHOOLS and BIBLE CLASSES of the Parish shows the following statistics:

AT THE CHURCH.

Main School.....	49	Teachers and Officers.	351	Scholars.
Infant School.....	2	"	184	"
Bible Classes.....	4	"	175	"
	55		710	

AT THE MEMORIAL CHAPEL.

Main School.....	45	Teachers and Officers.	362	Scholars.
Infant School.....	2	"	200	"
Bible Classes.....	2	"	170	"
	49		732	

AT THE COLORED SCHOOL (20TH BELOW PINE).

Main School.....	19	Teachers and Officers.	167	Scholars.
Infant School.....	3	"	92	"
Bible Classes.....	3	"	56	"
	25		315	

Total, 129 Teachers and Officers, and 1757 Scholars,

making in all 1886 Teachers and Scholars. About 150 or more Scholars attend both Schools. The Missionary and other contributions of the Schools have amounted, during the year, to \$2050; the Church Schools and Bible Classes contributing \$975, the Chapel Schools and Bible Classes contributing \$885, and the Colored School \$190.

Miss Schott has been enabled to resume the charge of the Young Women's Bible Class at the Church under favorable circumstances. The other Bible Classes remain under the same faithful care as heretofore. The increased attendance of the Schools and Bible Classes gives evidence of growing interest in this important department of our educational work.

It would be a grateful thing to be able to report a larger attendance of the children of the congregation at the Church School.

II.

THE NIGHT SCHOOLS.

THE NIGHT SCHOOL FOR BOYS reports a very successful season, more than *one hundred boys* availing themselves of its excellent facilities, with an average attendance of upwards of *seventy-five*. Over these four of the best female Public School Teachers have presided during the five months of its sessions. No one who is personally acquainted with the course and

progress of this work can fail to have been impressed with its results in the whole moral, as well as intellectual, development of those who have been objects of its care.

THE NIGHT SCHOOL FOR GIRLS reports fifty-four scholars enrolled, and an average attendance of over twenty-five. While the work of this School is of a more quiet and inconspicuous character than that of the above, it is no less to be commended for the fidelity of its teachers, and of the good accomplished for those who, but for it, would lack the most elementary rudiments of education. The expense of these two schools involves the outlay of about seven hundred and fifty dollars—money well expended.

III.

THE SEWING SCHOOL.

THE report of the Superintendent of this school shows an enrollment, first and last, of 22 Teachers and 183 Scholars, with a good regular attendance throughout the season. One hundred and eighty-seven pieces of work, large and small, were finished and disposed of among the children of the School, with the exception of a few larger articles given to the Ladies' Missionary Society of the Church and to the Home for Crippled Children. The expenses of this School, amounting to nearly \$75, were provided by the Teachers.

IV.

THE DORCAS SOCIETY.

THE DORCAS SOCIETY, which carries on its work during the Winter, and in exceptional cases through the Summer, furnishes work to the poor women of the Parish. It reports the following:

Receipts.

Subscriptions and donations, including old balance.....	\$1,266 00
From sale of garments (at cost of materials).....	132 86
	<hr/> \$1,398 86

Disbursements.

For materials.....	\$648 56
Payment of women for sewing.....	529 33
For shoes given to poor children.....	136 65
For Summer work.....	66 50
Other expenses.....	6 00
	<hr/> \$1,387 04
Balance on hand.....	\$11 82
Number of garments given to poor Churches.....	646
Garments given to the poor of the Parish.....	772
Pairs of shoes given away.....	116
Garments for distribution, finished and unfinished, still on hand.....	543

V.

THE LADIES' MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

THE LADIES' MISSIONARY SOCIETY reports: Subscriptions in money (including \$59 toward support of a nurse in the Hospital of the Good Samaritan, in Port-

land, Oregon), \$1182.96. From these and other donations in materials and garments, *Nine* Missionary boxes, valued at \$1571.47, have been forwarded to Missionaries and Poor Clergymen in Pennsylvania, Delaware, North Carolina, Louisiana, Tennessee, Kentucky and Minnesota.

VI.

THE PARISH LIBRARY.

THIS LIBRARY contains nearly two thousand volumes, of which about eight hundred have been in requisition during the past season. Valuable additions to its catalogue are constantly being made, as asked for. The Library is open on Saturday afternoons from October to May, and on Wednesday evenings after service. The Librarian will be happy to receive donations in money for the support and enlargement of this department.

VII.

THE MEMORIAL CHAPEL.

THE usual interest and activity in the Chapel Work has continued during the past year.

A General Mission conducted by the Rev. Randolph H. McKim, D.D., Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Harlem, New York, was commenced on Sep-

tuagesima Sunday, and continued for ten days. The attendance at the services was large, and the spiritual benefits of the Mission extended widely beyond the Chapel.

The several Missionary enterprises carried on by the Congregation and the Sunday School and Bible Classes show no abatement of zeal in Christian Work.

The *Ladies' Missionary Society* sent away two Missionary boxes full of useful articles and valued at about \$165.

The *Women's Bible Class* and *Missionary Society* reports total contributions in money and work of \$220, including donation of \$45 to the McAll Mission, in France. A Missionary box valued at \$45, and 115 garments were made by members of the Society at their own homes and sent to the *Children's Hospital*, the *Home for Consumptives*, and the *Episcopal Hospital*.

The money invested by members and their friends to purchase coal at reduced prices, amounted to \$775.

The *Industrial* and *Sunday School Lenten Societies*, and the *Holy Trinity Memorial Branch of the Church Temperance Society*, have carried on their work with the usual vigor.

In addition to the *Young Men's Guild*, organized a year ago, there has been started a *Young Women's Guild*, each of which number many members and are in successful operation.

The *Sunday School* and *Bible Classes* continue large, and this field of work at the Chapel cannot be too highly estimated. The total in all numbers 49 teachers and 732 scholars.

The collections at the Memorial Chapel for its own

support have amounted to over \$2000. Contributions by the Chapel and Sunday Schools for Missionary and other objects have amounted to \$1800.

VIII.

THE RECTORY.

The Wardens' take pleasure in stating that the project of securing a Rectory Fund, spoken of in the last Parish Report, has been successful through the liberality and generous response of many members of the congregation. The sum of *thirty-four thousand dollars* has been contributed, with which the house No. 1820 Spruce Street was purchased, repaired and partly furnished, leaving a small balance to provide for sundry contingent expenses. The house is well located and admirably adapted for a permanent Rectory; and will, we think, prove to be an advantageous investment for the Church. Other contributions to this Fund can be used to advantage, and will be gladly welcomed.

IX.

RECORD OF CHURCH OFFICES.

	At the Church.	At the Chapel.	Total.
Infant Baptisms.....	18	30	48
Adult Baptisms.....	8	1	9
Confirmations.....	37	18	55
Marriages.....	10	6	16
Burials.....	28	12	40

CONTRIBUTIONS.

(Including Collections, Subscriptions and Donations.)

For the year ending May 1, 1886.

Communion Alms for the Poor.....	\$	1,896	79
Donations through the Rector for Religious and Charitable Objects..		1,458	50
Reported by the Educational, Industrial and Benevolent Departments,		4,003	91
From the John Bohlen Trust Fund :			
For St. John's College in China.....	\$	600	00
" Zenana Work in India.....		400	00
" John Bohlen Lectureship.....		400	00
" Day Nursery of Philadelphia.....		100	00
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For City Missions and Home for Consumptives.....		1,500	00
" Diocesan Missions.....		1,759	61
" Domestic Missions, including Freedmen and Indians.....		1,313	15
" Foreign Missions.....		3,811	12
" Episcopal Hospital.....		3,506	17
" Church Home for Children.....		2,006	18
" Educational Home and Lincoln Institution.....		1,420	07
" Church of the Crucifixion, Philadelphia.....		580	07
" Deaf-Mute Mission.....		162	72
" Church Society for Promoting Christianity among the Jews.....		271	98
" Christmas Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen.....		255	00
" Theological Education.....		468	58
" Episcopal and Convention Fund.....		825	31
" Support of the Sunday Schools and Night Schools.....		350	00
" Support of the Holy Trinity Memorial Chapel.....		1,372	30
" Missionary Enrollment Fund and other objects.....		2,555	59
" The Rectory Fund.....		3,250	00
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Contributions of the Church.....	\$	66,767	05
Reported by the Holy Trinity Memorial Chapel :			
Collections for Current Expenses	\$	2,089	88
Communion Alms and Donations for the Poor.....		263	87
Contributions for Missionary and other objects.....		1,542	54
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Total Contributions of the Parish.....	\$	70,663	34
Pew-rents received at the Church.....		17,125	50
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Total Contributions and Pew-rents.....	\$	87,788	84

BRIEF NOTES.

THE Rev. Joseph F. Garrison, D.D., Professor of Liturgics and Canon Law in the Philadelphia Divinity School, has been appointed Lecturer for the ensuing year on the Bohlen Foundation.

SINCE the last report a pictorial window, memorial of the late Rev. Alexander H. Vinton, D.D., the first Rector of the Parish, executed by Henry Holiday, of London, has been placed in the south gallery.

WITHIN the next few months another window, executed by Dixon, of London, will be placed over the Font. And still another is projected, which it is hoped will be in position during the coming year.

The Church will gladly welcome other like memorials of those who have been identified with its life.

DURING the summer some minor alterations in the Chancel, involving the substitution of a lighter Pulpit and Reading-desk for the present cumbrous ones, will be made.

THE RECTOR'S NOTES.

And so we close the record of another year of opportunity and work in parish life,—thankful once more for what has been accomplished in the great field, sobered by the thought that even so we have come far short of a perfect service to Him, to whom and to whose work our lives and powers are pledged. That He in

mercy may accept both the result and its accompanying regret, and bring out of both a larger purpose and fulfillment for the future, must be our only hope.

In the few remaining lines of this Report it is the desire of your Rector, to recall, for himself as well as for you, some of the essential elements of a true *Church* or Christian work.

And first of all as to its real and controlling *purpose*. It should ever be remembered that that purpose, amid many incidental ends and activities, *the awakening and development of Christian life and character* in the objects of its care. Any other ends, however good and beneficial in themselves, but failing of this, must so far fail of being worthy the name of *Church-work*. They may do for a charitable or educational society, but not for an institution, whose charter and commission is *to seek and to save men's lives*. Indeed Church-work must always be like Christ's work in the world, a ministry of help to every human need, but above all and through all, a ministry to the deepest of all human needs—the spiritual need of man in its broadest and best sense. This must be its supreme aim; this work must we do, and leave not the other undone, in accomplishing it.

And this thought at once suggests the necessary characteristic of Church-work as touching the workers, and that is, its *personal* character. No mere gift of money, however generous, and no amount of careless approval of what others are doing in our name, while we go our ways, will answer the end. Directly or indirectly the responsibility of a *personal* interest and co-operation is laid upon us. If there be no call or place for hands in the work immediately before us,

our sympathy and our prayers, as well as our aid are called for. The work must be quick and redolent of the Christian influence and lives which stand back of it, and from which it emanates, if it is to achieve the end of which we have spoken. So only coming from devoted hearts will it in turn reach and bless *hearts* at the other end.

"The Holy Supper is kept indeed,
In whatso we share with another's need;
Not what we give, but what we share;
For the gift without the giver is bare;
Who gives *himself* with his alms feeds three—
Himself, his hungering neighbor and me."

Yes, that is always what Church, Christian, work must be. As it was with Christ, so it must be with us. The "virtue," which will really *heal* men's *lives*, must go out of *us*, ourselves, our personality. So only it "blesses twice," and "feeds three." And this again, but recalls and emphasizes the fundamental and complete pre-requisite of all Church work, a *personal religion* in the worker. That covers the whole ground. The true Christian will never lose sight of the real *aim*, and will never be satisfied with a half-hearted *impersonal* effort.

So once more the Parish records of a past year impresses its earnest moral—the ever-pressing need of renewed consecration in our own lives. Thus alone shall we fulfill the purpose of Church relationship for ourselves, and for those for whose help the Master has endowed us with special privileges.

With this determination, let us, pastor and people, more than ever united in the bonds of a mutual confidence and the service of Christ, turn to the opportuni-

ties of another year, "praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance." And may "the God of grace, who hath called us unto His eternal glory by Christ ; make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ ; to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen."

Your devoted friend and Rector,

W. N. McVICKAR.

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I.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

THE Roll of the SUNDAY SCHOOLS and BIBLE CLASSES of the Parish shows the following statistics:

AT THE CHURCH.

Main School.....	49 Teachers and Officers.	318 Scholars.
Infant School	2 " "	189 " "
Bible Classes	4 " "	167 " "
	<hr/> 55	<hr/> 674

AT THE MEMORIAL CHAPEL.

Main School.....	45 Teachers and Officers.	340 Scholars.
Infant School	3 " "	198 " "
Bible Classes	2 " "	171 " "
	<hr/> 50	<hr/> 709

AT THE COLORED SCHOOL (20TH BELOW PINE).

Main School.....	20 Teachers and Officers.	154 Scholars.
Infant School	2 " "	73 " "
Bible Classes	3 " "	66 " "
	<hr/> 25	<hr/> 293

Total, 130 Teachers and Officers, and 1676 Schol-

ars, making in all 1806 Teachers and Scholars. Of the Scholars about 150 attend both the Schools of the Church and the Chapel. The Missionary and other contributions of the Schools have amounted during the year to \$2063; the Church Schools and Bible Classes contributing \$965, the Chapel Schools and Bible Classes \$960, and the Colored Schools \$138.

Miss Ward, who has been so faithful and efficient in the Infant School, has been obliged to resign her position, and her place has been supplied by Miss Nellie Morris, who is proving to be an earnest and faithful helper to Miss Caldwell, the head of the School.

II.

THE NIGHT SCHOOLS.

THE NIGHT SCHOOL FOR BOYS was opened in November and continued until April; 130 boys were admitted, and 59 were obliged by their work, sickness or removal from the neighborhood, to withdraw during the winter. The average attendance was 66. The School was divided into four classes, and conducted by the same able principal teacher who had charge of it the previous winter, aided by three competent assistants. Boys who are obliged to work all the day and have no other opportunity of getting an education are here taught reading, writing, arithmetic and drawing, and the improvement displayed at the end of every term is very gratifying to all who can see the progress of the Schools from year to year.

THE NIGHT SCHOOL FOR GIRLS was open during the same period; 50 girls were admitted, with a fair average attendance. Many of the girls attended very regularly and made satisfactory progress in their studies. Miss Hastings, so long connected with this School, was obliged, at the beginning of the season, to relinquish its care on account of pressing home duties. She was very faithful and efficient, and evinced the greatest interest in the welfare of the Scholars, and her withdrawal was regretted by all connected with the School.

The Boys' School meets in the Memorial School Building, and the Girls' School in the Parish Building of the Church. The expenses of both Schools, the past season, did not exceed \$600, and during the next season, with the appointment of an additional teacher in the Girls' School, the expenses will not be more than \$700.

III.

THE KITCHEN GARDEN.

THE Sewing School, which has been in existence since the organization of the Church, was discontinued this season. Sewing is now so generally taught in the Public Schools as to render the Sewing School an unnecessary adjunct in our Church work. In its place the KITCHEN GARDEN was established in November and continued for five months, meeting every Saturday morning in the Parish Building. A good work has been done in teaching various household duties by means of singing and the use of miniature utensils.

There were 6 Teachers and 50 Scholars connected with the School. The attendance was regular and an interest shown that warrants its continuance as a branch of Church work. The membership will no doubt be larger another season.

The expenses were \$80.34, met by contributions through the teachers.

IV.

THE DORCAS SOCIETY.

THE DORCAS SOCIETY has been very efficiently managed the past season, and makes the following report of its work:

Receipts.

Subscriptions and donations, including old balance.....	\$1213 50
From sale of garments (at cost of materials)	154 80
	<hr/> \$1368 30

Disbursements.

Paid for materials	\$564 27
Paid women for sewing.....	530 71
Paid for shoes given to poor children	123 39
For Summer work	64 00
Other expenses.....	8 60
	<hr/> 1290 97

Balance on hand.....	\$77 33
Garments given to the poor of the Parish.....	549
Garments given to Mission Churches.....	643
Garments for distribution still on hand.....	503
Unmade garments still on hand.....	64
Number of garments cut during the winter.....	2035
Pairs of shoes given away	100

V.

THE LADIES' MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

THE LADIES' MISSIONARY SOCIETY reports: Subscriptions in money (including \$68 toward support of nurses in the Hospital of the Good Samaritan, Portland, Oregon) \$1228.40. From these and other donations in materials and garments, SEVEN Boxes of clothing, valued at \$1512.00, have been sent to Missionaries and Poor Clergymen in Pennsylvania, Virginia, North Carolina, Ohio and Minnesota.

VI.

THE PARISH LIBRARY.

THE LIBRARY, which is open every Saturday afternoon from October to May, and on Wednesday evening after Service, has been largely used during the past season. Contributions for the purchase of new books will be thankfully received, and will add to the value and importance of the Library as a department of the educational work of the Church.

VII.

THE MEMORIAL CHAPEL.

THE CHAPEL WORK has been prosecuted during the year with more than usual interest.

The Collections at the Sunday Services for the support of the Chapel have been increased during the year to the sum of \$2710.52, and the Communion Alms for the poor have amounted to \$272.59.

The Ladies' Missionary Society have sent away boxes of clothing and other useful articles to Missionaries, valued at \$215.

The Women's Bible Class and Missionary Society have contributed to the McAll Mission \$65, and for other objects \$35, together \$100. They have made 116 garments at their own homes, which have been given away as follows: 51 to the Children's Hospital; 35 to the Home for Consumptives, and 30 to the Episcopal Hospital. The money invested by the members and their friends for the purchase of Coal at reduced prices has amounted to \$624.

The Young Men's Guild and the Young Ladies' Guild have met weekly at their rooms in the School Building, and have shown much interest in their work and meetings. The former raised \$109, and the latter \$235.90, including Lenten Sewing and a Library. The cost of furnishing the rooms was about \$150.

The Sunday Schools and Bible Classes contributed for Missionary and other objects \$960.

The money contributed by the Chapel and its Schools and Bible Classes and other agencies, as enumerated above, makes a total of \$4503.01.

VIII.

RECORD OF CHURCH OFFICES.

	At the Church.	At the Chapel.	Total.
Infant Baptisms.....	22	48	70
Adult Baptisms.....	5	3	8
Confirmations.....	15	11	26
Marriages.....	8	5	13
Burials.....	33	20	53

IX.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

(Including Collections, Subscriptions and Donations.)

For the year ending May 1, 1887.

Communion Alms for the Poor.....	\$2,045 64
Donations through the Rector for Religious and Charitable Objects..	1,757 75
Reported by the Educational, Industrial and Benevolent Departments	3,925 64
From the John Bohlen Trust Fund:	
For St. John's College in China.....	\$600 00
" Zenana Work in India.....	400 00
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" Diocesan Missions.....	1,201 05
" Domestic Missions, including Freedmen and Indians.....	3,577 71
" Foreign Missions.....	4,087 90
" Episcopal Hospital.....	1,720 00
" Church Home for Children.....	1,356 00
" Educational Home for Boys.....	314 00
" Church of the Crucifixion, Philadelphia.....	101 00
" Deaf-Mute Mission.....	388 00
" Church Society for Promoting Christianity among the Jews.....	275 00
" Christmas Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen.....	402 38
" Theological Education.....	719 10
" Episcopal and Convention Fund.....	700 00
" Support of the Sunday Schools and Night Schools.....	1,317 00
" Support of the Holy Trinity Memorial Chapel.....	2,819 29
" Church Building and other objects.....	3,750 00

Contributions of the Church.....\$34,081 40

Reported by the Holy Trinity Memorial Chapel:

Collections for Current Expenses.....	\$2,710 52
Communion Alms and Donations for the Poor	272 59
Contributions for Missionary and other objects	1,519 90
	<hr/> 4,503 01

Total Contributions of the Parish.....\$38,584 41

Pew-rents received at the Church.. 17,198 50

Total Contributions and Pew-rents.....\$55,782 91

X.

BISHOP STEVENS.

IN MEMORIAM.

THE Wardens and Vestrymen of the Church of the Holy Trinity desire to put on record this expression of their deep sense of the loss the Church has sustained in the death of the Right Reverend William Bacon Stevens, D.D., LL.D., who, on Saturday, June 11, 1887, entered into the rest that remaineth for the people of God.

In the death of Bishop Stevens, after an Episcopate of more than a quarter of a century, we feel that a "great man and a Prince has fallen in Israel," and that the loss is by no means confined to our own Communion, but is felt by the Church at large and by this whole community.

Bishop Stevens was always a warm friend and supporter of the Church of the Holy Trinity. The Church was to a great extent an offshoot from St. Andrew's, of which the Bishop, then Rev. Dr. Stevens, was Rector. The new Church took from him many of his valued workers, and yet from that time to the time of his death he evinced the greatest interest in it. His family have been members of the Parish for many years.

Bishop Stevens, in his loyalty to the Episcopal

Church and her distinctive doctrines—in his faithful preaching of the truths of the Gospel of Christ—in his wise administration of the affairs of this Diocese—in his diligence to banish and drive away from the Church all erroneous and strange doctrines contrary to God's word—in his loving affection to both Clergy and Laity in this Diocese—and in the purity and blamelessness that marked his private life—stands pre-eminently before the Church as a model in all that goes to make up a truly consecrated Bishop.

As the worthy successor of Bishop Alonzo Potter, we believe that in the future his name will not only be linked with that Prelate but with the sainted Bishop White in all that constitutes Christian manliness, wisdom and godliness.

Bishop Stevens stood nobly at the helm of the Church in health and also when enfeebled by sickness, and died with his armor on. The Prince in Israel has exchanged the Mitre for the Crown—the Rt. Rev. Father in God has entered the Father's House above to sit down at the Marriage Supper of the Lamb—the arduous service in the Church Militant has ended in the "Well done, good and faithful servant," in the Church Triumphant.

The memory of such a Bishop will ever remain precious to the Episcopal Church. Truly may we say of him, as did St. Luke of Barnabas: "He was a good man and full of the Holy Ghost and of faith." As we mourn his loss we hear an echo from the Eternal World: "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord. Yea, even so saith the Spirit, for they rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

XI.

BRIEF NOTES.

THE Rector having expressed a desire last winter to make an extended trip abroad, the Vestry unanimously and cordially granted him leave of absence for nine months. He sailed on the 12th January, and has traveled in Egypt and the Holy Land, and visited the principal points of interest on the Mediterranean and the Continent, and after spending several weeks in England will return to America in time to resume the charge of the Parish early in October. He will be very gladly and heartily welcomed home by his people and friends.

DURING the absence of the Rector the Church was put under the charge of the Rev. Edward T. Bartlett, D.D., Dean of the Philadelphia Divinity School. He has fully come up to our expectations. He has given great satisfaction to the congregation, and endeared himself to the people by his faithful services.

THE friends of the Rev. Mr. Bugbee, the Minister of the Memorial Chapel, having enabled him to make a European trip, the Vestry gave him the necessary leave of absence. He sailed on the 15th June, and expects to return in October.

WE adopted this summer the plan, tried so successfully last year, of uniting the Church and Chapel together as one congregation, and during July, August and September the services have been held at the Church in the morning and at the Chapel in the evening.

During the larger part of the season the united congregation have been under the charge of the Rev. Fleming James, D.D., of Gambier, Ohio, whose preaching and services have always given satisfaction to our people.

THE Rev. Mr. Ballentine, the Rector's Assistant, with the exception of a short visit to the sea shore, has been at his post of duty during the entire absence of the Rector, ready at all times to be called upon for any service.

AN interesting letter from the Rector follows this Report.

ALEXANDER BROWN,
LEMUEL COFFIN,
WILLIAM P. CRESSON,
LEWIS H. REDNER,
THEODORE H. MORRIS,

Parochial Committee.

Philadelphia, September 15, 1887.

XII.

THE RECTOR'S LETTER.

GRANADA, SPAIN, 17 June, 1887.

MY BELOVED FRIENDS:—

The Annual Report of the Parish would seem incomplete with no closing word from your Rector, although for the time he has been separated by circumstances from participation in much of the work which it records. This, coupled with my earnest wish ever to keep and emphasize the grateful touch of closest sympathy and fellowship with you, under all circumstances, must be my plea for asking my accustomed place in these pages.

And first of all I desire once more to express my sincere gratitude for the kindness alike of Vestry and Parish, which have afforded me the opportunity for extended absence and travel during these winter months, when only I could visit those scenes of deepest interest to every Christian student and teacher, as connected with Bible-history and especially with the life of Christ. I trust and believe that the trip I have thus been enabled to make will not prove valueless in my future work. Certainly no one who has personally visited the Holy Land and recalled "in situ," as it were, its unique history, will ever under-rate the realizing power of the experience, although that experience will only complete itself in the deeper consciousness, pressed home by the necessary feeling of disappointment and sadness at the present meagreness and desolation of the old scenes, that the Religion, at whose cradle he stands, was not to be primarily or pre-eminently a religion of *sacred shrine* or *holy place*, but of the *heart* and *spirit*, and so of the *wide world*—that even in Christ's day the hour had come, when neither in this mountain nor yet at Jerusalem, but in *spirit* and in truth men were to worship—that not "here" nor "there," but everywhere, where there were waiting hungry hearts the Kingdom of Heaven had come or should come. And one other feeling will follow closely on this, as the Christian

traveler turns homeward, and that will be one of personal thankfulness, that not in the land of the *dawning* truth, but under the *noon-tide* of its fullness and glory his life and work have been cast. So at least I feel as I turn once more towards the land, the Church, the people among whom my happy lot is found—grateful for the goodness which has ever watched about my path, for its latest manifestations in these months of travel, and, not least, for the safety and joy of my early return to you, my beloved friends.

And so I turn to the report of your work to congratulate you once more on what you have been enabled to do in the year just closed, as in the many years gone by, in your part of the great field; while I remind you more earnestly than ever, as I never more deeply realized them, of the responsibilities which your circumstances and privileges involve, and in the light of which all actual results must seem small.

The work, so far as any earthly annals can display it, has been a large one. Much has been accomplished. Great liberality has been shown in the sums given for the manifold objects of benevolence and Christian enterprise. The Sunday, Night, and Industrial Schools and Societies tell us of good, increasing good, accomplished, as well as devoted personal effort put forth—for all of which we should thank God, "of whose gift it is that his people do unto Him true and laudable service."

Some changes have taken place in our midst. Sickness and sorrow have entered some of our households. Death has removed a few loved and familiar forms from the old circle, reminding us of the shortness and uncertainty of life's tenure at best. But the many have been spared, while some have been brought back even from the brink of the grave, to bear witness to God's forbearance—and all alike, the succored, the comforted, the spared, should but be inspired by the past and its review with a new love and purpose for the time to come. Surely, my beloved friends, if there be any thing in life worthy of its outlay and cost, the more we see of it everywhere, under every circumstance and experience, the more the conclusion is forced home upon us that that something, controlling and transfiguring all else, is the finding and fulfilling, by God's help, of our appointed work in this world. That alone makes life noble, while it brings satisfaction day by day, and peace at last. Nay, to put it in another and a better way, if there is a course, at once a privilege and a duty, held out to the human life, it is that of

following the Divine Master, whose we are, and whom we profess to serve, whose "meat was to do the will of Him who sent Him and to finish His work," and the noblest tribute to whose career was: "He went about doing good." So let us turn to another year, if God spares us, with its various calls and opportunities. And may the God of peace make you more and more perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Your devoted Friend and Pastor,

W. N. McVICKAR.

Since writing the above, a cable dispatch has brought me the sad intelligence of the death of the late Bishop of the Diocese, who was also a devoted member of this Parish. It is no place here to speak of him in his wider relations to the Church at large, or of those graceful characteristics which always rendered him a conspicuous figure in her great councils, or as administrator of Episcopal functions. Another time and place will afford an opportunity for that. But I cannot mail this letter without expressing the deep sense of personal loss to myself and to our Parish which this news presses home upon me. For me and for you too, my dear people, a loving friend, a real "Father in God," has been called away, whose grateful presence in our midst, with tender words of encouragement and blessing, will be missed as long as human memory shall last. We may only hope and pray, amid our sadness, that the sense of his presence, which has been such an inspiration in the past, may not be lost as we realize in him another crowned and rejoicing saint in that fast thickening cloud of witnesses by which we are encompassed from above.

"O blessed communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
Yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia."

W. N. McV.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

PAROCHIAL COMMITTEE

OF THE

Church of Holy Trinity,

PHILADELPHIA.

For the year ending May 1st, 1888.

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(IN CHARGE OF HOLY TRINITY MEMORIAL CHAPEL.)

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RECTOR'S ASSISTANT.

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PHILADELPHIA, JUNE 30, 1888.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PAROCHIAL COMMITTEE of the Vestry of the Church of the Holy Trinity, of the Educational, Industrial and Benevolent work of the Parish, for the year ending May 1, 1888.

I.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Roll of the SUNDAY SCHOOLS and BIBLE CLASSES of the Parish makes the following exhibit :

AT THE CHURCH.

Main School.....	52 Teachers and Officers.	334 Scholars.
Infant School.....	2 "	154 "
Bible Classes.....	4 "	168 "
	58	656

AT THE MEMORIAL CHAPEL.

Main School.....	46 Teachers and Officers.	310 Scholars.
Infant School.....	2 "	151 "
Bible Classes.....	2 "	160 "
	50	621

AT THE COLORED SCHOOL (20TH BELOW PINE).

Main School.....	20 Teachers and Officers.	161 Scholars.
Infant School.....	2 "	73 "
Bible Classes.....	3 "	66 "
	25	300

Total, 133 Teachers and Officers and 1577 Scholars,

making in all 1710 Teachers and Scholars. Of the Scholars about 150 attend both the Schools of the Church and the Chapel. The Missionary and other contributions of the Schools have amounted during the year to \$1445; the Church Schools and Bible Classes contributing \$677, the Chapel Schools and Bible Classes \$665, and the Colored Schools \$103.

The foregoing statistics give but a slight suggestion of the good which is being accomplished in our Church and Chapel Schools under their admirable management. A visit to either of them; to the Church School, presided over by Mr. Charles S. Whelen and his faithful coadjutors in the Parish Building in the morning; to the Chapel School, of which Mr. William M. Runk is the head, supported by a devoted corps of teachers, in the afternoon; or to the Colored School, in its Hall, corner of Twentieth and Hand streets, under the superintendence of Mr. Ewing L. Miller and his earnest fellow-workers, would convince the visitor alike of the efficiency and value of these Schools. It is out of our Sunday Schools and Bible Classes, too, that other branches of Christian work are being started; as, for instance, the various Guilds, which are noted further on in their appropriate place. One of them, not so noted, is the Reading Room and Resort, opened this winter, in connection with our Colored School, at which there was an average nightly gathering of twenty-five young men, reading, playing games, etc., and so kept from the evil and contamination of the street and

saloon. It is hoped that some sort of industrial education may be added to mere recreation in this department in the coming winter.

II.

THE NIGHT SCHOOLS.

THE BOYS' NIGHT SCHOOL was opened November 14, in the Memorial School Building, and continued for three nights weekly, with the exception of the last half of December, until April 2; 128 boys, many of whom were new pupils, were admitted during the winter, but from the nature of their work and other causes 55 were obliged to withdraw. The average attendance for each night was 65. The same studies were pursued as in former years—Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, Drawing, English and American History. The same gratifying results continue to be displayed as in former years, and it is especially pleasing to know that in at least one case a scholar upon whom the support of a family depended was able, by means of the education he received at our School, to obtain a much more remunerative position than he could otherwise have filled.

The School is taught by competent public school teachers, thoroughly qualified for the work.

THE GIRLS' NIGHT SCHOOL was open during four months. In consequence of the multiplication of other educational opportunities in the Guild work in our

own Parish and elsewhere, as also to the increased employment of young women in factory work, the attendance in this School has not been as large as usual, the number enrolled being 25, with an average attendance of 12, these being of the poorest class of our people.

In view of this decrease and of the other opportunities offered to meet the same want, it has been decided to relinquish this department of our Night Schools for the present.

The total expenses of both Schools were \$550.

III.

KITCHEN GARDEN.

THE KITCHEN GARDEN opened on Saturday, November 12, with 25 children and 4 Teachers, soon afterwards increased to 60 children and 6 Teachers. The School was open every Saturday morning from 10 to 12 o'clock for six months. The average regular attendance was 48 children, which may be considered a good record, allowance being made for many stormy Saturdays. Four branches of the system were taught, with a review on each lesson, the subjects of these lessons being as follows:

- Fuel and its Uses.
- Setting and Waiting on the Table.
- Bed-making, Sweeping, Dusting, Scrubbing.
- Washing and Ironing.

The School closed on Saturday, April 28, with exercises of work by the children, together with recitation

of texts and singing, followed by an address by the Rector of the Church. Prizes of flowers were given for regular attendance, and afterwards the children were served with refreshments.

The expenses of the work were defrayed by the Teachers and a few outside contributors.

IV.

THE DORCAS SOCIETY.

THE WORK OF THE DORCAS SOCIETY, which consists of providing work and clothing for the poor, has been prosecuted with increased efficiency.

Receipts.

Subscriptions and donations, including old balance.....	\$1421 33	
From sale of garments.....	166 87	
		<u>\$1588 20</u>

Disbursements.

Paid for materials.....	\$819 82	
Paid women for sewing.....	523 97	
Paid for shoes given to poor children.....	117 56	
For summer work.....	64 00	
Other expenses.....	9 70	
		<u>1535 05</u>

Balance on hand.....	\$53 15
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Garments given to the poor of the Parish.....	500
Garments given to Mission Churches.....	847
Garments for distribution still on hand.....	532
Unmade garments still on hand.....	180
Unmade garments given for summer work.....	392
Pairs of shoes given away.....	89

THE LADIES' MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

THE LADIES' MISSIONARY SOCIETY reports as follows : Amount contributed in money, \$1382.28 ; also a large number of garments and materials. TEN BOXES of clothing, valued at \$1900, have been sent to Texas, Missouri, Kansas, Minnesota, Indiana, Illinois, Virginia, and Pennsylvania. A private Communion service was sent to Sherman, Texas, value \$16. To Mrs. Spaulding, for Hospital Building in Denver, Colorado, \$130 was sent. To Bishop Talbot, for the erection of a Church in Idaho, to be named Church of the Holy Trinity, \$500 was given. Total contributions of the Society for the season of Lent, \$2546.

THE YOUNG WOMEN'S GUILD.

"THE YOUNG WOMEN'S GUILD of the Church of the Holy Trinity" was organized February 17, 1888, with the object of enlisting the interest and cooperation of a number of young ladies in the Church in benevolent and home missionary work, and has succeeded in its aim beyond the expectation of the original starters of the movement. It has now 104 enrolled and active members. The names of its Committees will give an idea of the various departments of the work: The

Sewing Committee, for sewing for the sick and needy; the *Visiting Committee*, for visiting among the poor; the *Sick-diet Committee*, for the distribution of diet among the sick; the *Fruit and Flower Committee*, for the distribution of fruits and flowers; *Clothing Committee*, for distribution of clothing; the *Literature Committee*, for the sending of reading-matter, books, magazines, etc., to poor Parishes and reading-rooms; the *Festival Committee*, for the donation of festival material, illuminated cards, scrap-books, dolls, etc., to Hospitals and poor Sunday Schools; the *Committee on Choir*, for providing a volunteer choir for extra services in our own Church; the *Enrollment Committee*, for completing the "Enrollment Fund;" the *Kitchen-Garden Committee*.

A large amount of work has been done already by the Guild through these Committees, and the coming year promises still greater achievements.

In addition to the above agency, we must notice the formation, within the Women's Missionary Bible Class, taught by Miss Schott, of a branch of "The King's Daughters," who have made up and donated Christmas offerings in the form of baskets of provisions for the poor, boxes of toys, books and papers for various Homes and Hospitals, and have inaugurated a Fruit and Flower Mission of their own for the sick—altogether a most interesting and promising work.

VII.

THE PARISH LIBRARY.

THE LIBRARY has been open as usual every Saturday afternoon, from October to May, for the use of those who wish to avail themselves of its facilities. It is the desire and purpose of those interested in its maintenance to keep upon its shelves a good and appropriate selection from the standard and current literature of the day. Any persons desiring to assist the Library may do so through the Rector or its efficient Librarian.

VIII.

THE MEMORIAL CHAPEL.

THE CHAPEL WORK, during the past season, has been carried on under some disadvantages, owing to the severe sickness of its Minister, the Rev. Mr. Bugbee. He is at present on leave of absence on the Pacific Coast recuperating his health, and expects to resume his duties in the autumn. Notwithstanding this, the regular services have been continued with the aid of the other Clergy of the Parish, under the supervision of the Rector. The preparation of the class for confirmation, as well as the conduct of the Wednesday

evening lectures, has fallen largely upon Mr. Redner, of the Vestry, who kindly undertook that part of the work.

The collections at the Sunday services for the support of the Chapel, under the above circumstances, have been somewhat diminished, in aggregate amounting to \$2338.66 for the year. The Communion alms for the poor have amounted to \$260.58.

The Ladies' Missionary Society have made up and sent away a box of clothing of the value of \$175.

The Women's Bible Class and Missionary Society have contributed to the McAll Mission \$58.36. They have also made and given away 100 garments, 50 to the Children's Hospital, 25 to the Episcopal Hospital and 25 to the Home for Consumptives. The members of the Class and their friends have deposited in the Fuel Saving Society \$722 for the purchase of coal at reduced prices.

The Parochial Committee have to record with deep regret the resignation of Miss Mary E. Jackson, who has so long and so faithfully presided over this Class. Her resignation is due to no lack of continued interest in the work, but simply because she feels no longer equal to the onerous labors it demands of her.

The work of the Young Men's Guild and the Young Women's Guild of the Chapel has been carried on this year with unabated interest. Meetings have been

held regularly, lectures and instruction, industrial and other, given, while an active work in the cause of Temperance has been pushed forward. In addition to this the Young Women's Guild have made up a box of clothing for the Rosebud Agency in Dakota, and have undertaken the clothing of a crippled child in "The Home of the Merciful Saviour." To meet the demand for further facilities in this department, by the permission of the Vestry, the small Lecture Room on the ground floor of the School building has been renovated and refurnished by the Guild and their friends.

The money contributed by the Sunday Schools and Bible Classes of the Chapel for Missionary and benevolent objects has amounted to \$665, making with that contributed by the Chapel a total of \$3670.24.

IX.

RECORD OF CHURCH OFFICES.

	At the Church.	At the Chapel.	Total.
Infant Baptisms.....	33	20	53
Adult Baptisms.....	10	1	11
Confirmations.....	38	29	67
Marriages.....	12	3	15
Burials.....	40	18	58

X.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

(Including Collections, Subscriptions and Donations.)

For the year ending May 1, 1888.

Communion Alms for the Poor.....	\$1,182 95
Donations through the Rector for Religious and Charitable Objects.....	3,613 12
Reported by the Educational, Industrial and Benevolent Departments.....	5,221 45
From the John Bohlen Trust Fund:	
For St. John's College in China.....	\$600 00
" Zenana Work in India.....	400 00
" John Bohlen Lectureship.....	500 00
" Day Nursery of Philadelphia.....	100 00
	<hr/> 1,600 00
For City Missions and Home for Consumptives.....	1,418 00
" Diocesan Missions.....	1,250 00
" Domestic Missions, including Freedmen and Indians.....	2,948 07
" Foreign Missions.....	3,750 00
" Episcopal Hospital.....	1,828 36
" Church Home for Children.....	1,314 08
" Educational Home for Boys.....	265 07
" Church of the Crucifixion, Philadelphia.....	196 68
" Deaf-Mute Mission.....	304 80
" Church Society for Promoting Christianity Among the Jews....	250 00
" Christmas Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen.....	418 29
" Theological Education.....	740 52
" Episcopal and Convention Fund.....	478 92
" Support of the Sunday Schools and Night Schools.....	1,448 00
" Support of the Holy Trinity Memorial Chapel.....	2,683 80
" Church Building and other objects.....	1,200 00

Contributions of the Church.....\$32,112 11

Reported by the Holy Trinity Memorial Chapel:

Collections for Current Expenses.....	\$2,338 66
Communion Alms and Donations for the Poor.....	260 58
Contributions for Missionary and other objects.....	1,071 00
	<hr/> 3,670 24

Total Contributions of the Parish.....\$35,782 35
Pew-rents received at the Church.....17,189 00

Total Contributions and Pew-rents.....\$52,971 35

XI.

ENDOWMENTS AND TRUSTS.

JOHN BOHLEN, one of the originators and largest subscriber to the Building Fund of the Church of the Holy Trinity, died in 1874, and bequeathed \$100,000 for religious and charitable objects. Out of this Fund his Trustees, Mrs. Bohlen, Miss Bohlen and Mr. Coffin, set apart and, through the Executor of the estate, paid over to the Church in trust \$37,500 for the following objects, in accordance with Mr. Bohlen's well-known wishes :

- \$15,000 for Foreign Missions.
- \$10,000 for Female Education in Foreign Fields.
- \$10,000 for the John Bohlen Lectureship.
- \$2500 for the Lombard Street Day Nursery.

These sums have been safely invested, and the annual income is applied to the objects named.

CATHERINE M. BOHLEN, one of the large contributors in the Church, died in 1887, and, following the example of her brother, John Bohlen, also bequeathed \$100,000 for religious and charitable objects. Out of this Fund her Trustees, Mrs. Bohlen and Mr. Coffin, set apart and, through the Executor of the estate, paid over to the Church in trust \$20,000 for the following objects :

- \$15,000 for Foreign and Domestic Missions.
- \$5000 for the Holy Trinity Memorial Chapel, for repairs, etc.

These sums are now being invested, and the annual income will be applied to the objects named.

These are worthy examples to follow, and we commend them to the earnest consideration of the liberal members of the Church. Thus faithful lives departed still speak and work among us.

A provision for the carrying on of the work of the Church and the Chapel in the future, in view of the constantly shifting circumstances of our population, is a subject to be borne in mind in the present time of prosperity.

XII.

BRIEF NOTES.

THE RECTOR returned from Europe early in October and at once resumed his duties in the Church, and has been most successful in promoting the best interests of the Parish.

THE REV. MR. BUGBEE shortly after returned from his brief visit abroad and entered upon his work at the Memorial Chapel with much interest, but unfortunately has been sick for some months and is now on the Pacific Coast seeking renewed health. It is devoutly wished that with returning health he may soon be able to take active charge of the Chapel again and push its work to renewed and increased success.

THE REV. FRANK S. BALLENTINE, the Rector's Assistant, was called to the Rectorship of the Church of the Good Shepherd, at Scranton, Pa., and entered upon his duties there on All Saints' Day, 1887. While with us he was a most faithful Assistant and did an excellent work.

THE REV. ALFRED J. P. McCLURE, recently in charge of the Episcopal Hospital Mission, was appointed Rector's Assistant, and began his duties at the Advent season with great promise of usefulness. In the absence of the Minister of the Chapel he has been obliged, in addition to his own work at the Church, to assume much of that at the Chapel.

THE CHURCH AND THE CHAPEL. CONGREGATIONS will be united again this summer upon the same plan as heretofore, and this will probably be a permanent arrangement for the summer months every year.

THE RECTOR proposes to issue before the season of Advent next a Year Book or Directory of the various departments and branches of the Missionary, Benevolent and Educational Work of the Parish, together with a list of the Officers and Workers who have them in charge, and the times of their meetings. This will afford the necessary information to all who may desire to enter upon the work themselves, or to contribute to its support.

would be accomplished directly for the cause of Christ and humanity! What a spreading contagious influence on other workers around us would be exercised! And in return what reality and growth, as well as joyousness, would begin to characterize our own religious lives! What an advance towards the coming kingdom! And why should this be only a dream, instead of an experience? Is it not what we have promised God in the most solemn and repeated acts of self-consecration?—and what He has promised in return to all His earnest followers?

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